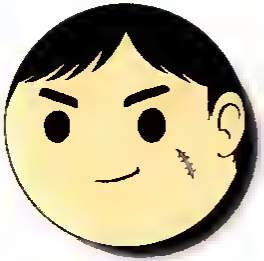

著者近影

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でも、すぐに小砂編が始まるんだよ～～～～。だからって何をどーすりゃいいのやら、何も思いつかない。まあいいや、それは小砂編が始まったら考えよう。今は朝から酒飲んで、テレビゲームやって、家装品いじくり回したり、モデルガンをシコシコシコシコ磨いたり…何か、こないだＵＦＯ見たような、見なかったような…腐って行く…ドロドロドロドロ、とてもゆっくりと、でも確実に…すごく気持ちいい…。

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WINCHESTER MODEL 1897 SHOTGUN（アメリカ）	
全長	985mm
銃身長	500mm
重量	3300g
口径	2 1/4in (12GAUGE)
作動方式	ポンプアクション
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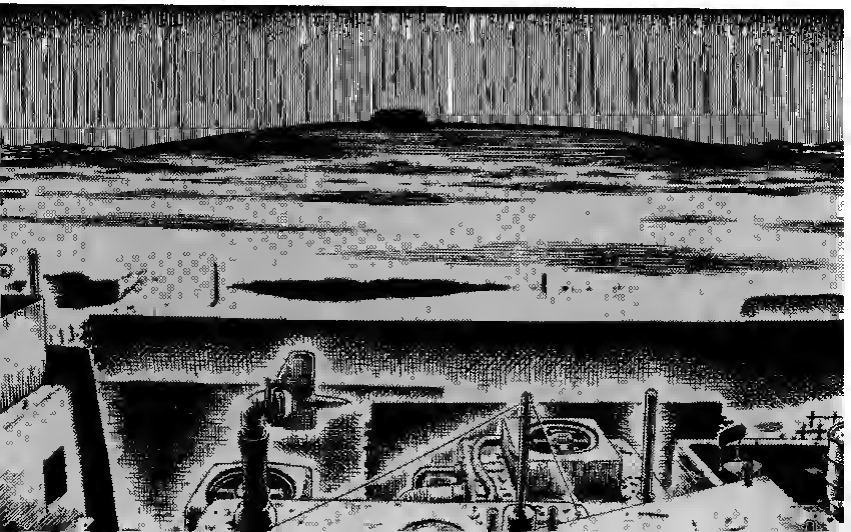
Sunabo-Zu and Kosuna now support the party opposing the West Oasis Government. Tasked with this new mission, they go in search of Natsuko, who was claimed to be missing in action. They end up facing an army of ghost soldiers, in the middle of huge underground ruins. Against all odds, Sunabo-Zu manages to help Natsuko escape from them. But in the action, he was forced to leave behind his winch he so much loves.

Back in town, he appears changed, that is to say, nice and caring. His popularity grows. However, his real purpose is to take advantage of the unprecedented crisis that hits the Great Kanto Desert. That's when two robot soldiers appear. They're looking for the maker of Sunabo-Zu's winch.



EVERY-THING'S BURNED TO THE GROUND...
ALL BECAUSE OF THE GAS FROM THE WEL-DING STA-TION?
HE WAS ALSO HANDLING SOME "BLUE"*...
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BUT... WHO ARE THOSE TWO GUYS?
YEAH, WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?
IN ANY CASE, THEY'RE NOT ANY-BODY.

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PLEASE ACCEPT THIS
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ER...
NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION
AH, NO... THANKS.
HM?
H-HI!
NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION
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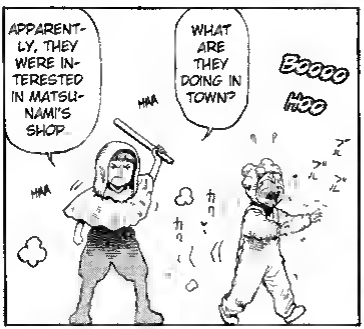
HEY
AH...
I'LL GET SCOLDED BY THE COOK IF YOU DON'T!
I'M SORRY, BUT...

TO ADDRESS COMPLETE STRANGERS...
PFF... IT MUSTN'T BE EASY FOR THEM
BUT THEY THANK US ANYWAY...
IT FEELS LIKE THEY'RE AFRAID OF US
YEAH.
IN ANY CASE, THERE'S NOT A SINGLE CLUE LEFT HERE.
HM
WE'VE BEEN OUTWIT-TED.
WHEN COMBING THE SHOPS OF THOSE QUIET CRAFTSMEN...
DESPITE THE FEW INFOR-MATIONS WE MANAGED TO GATHER.

THAT'S OUR MAN INDEED.
HE'S FINALLY SHOWING HIMSELF!
HE DESTROYED THE RUINS, IT'S CHILDPLAY FOR HIM
HUH?!
THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT THE RUINS FROM THE OTHER DAY?!
THAT GUY IS DANGEROUS.
THE MADMEN ARE ALWAYS PRECISE IN THEIR DOING.
A mic is hidden in the flask

OUR ENEMIES?!
NO WAY! THEN THIS MEANS THESE GUYS ARE...

IT , IT FIGURES
NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY THEY DIDN'T HESITATE TO GO STRAIGHT INTO THE FIRE


APPARENTLY, THEY WERE INTERESTED IN MATSUNAMI'S SHOP
WHAT ARE THEY DOING IN TOWN?
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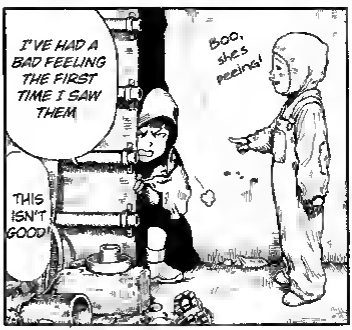
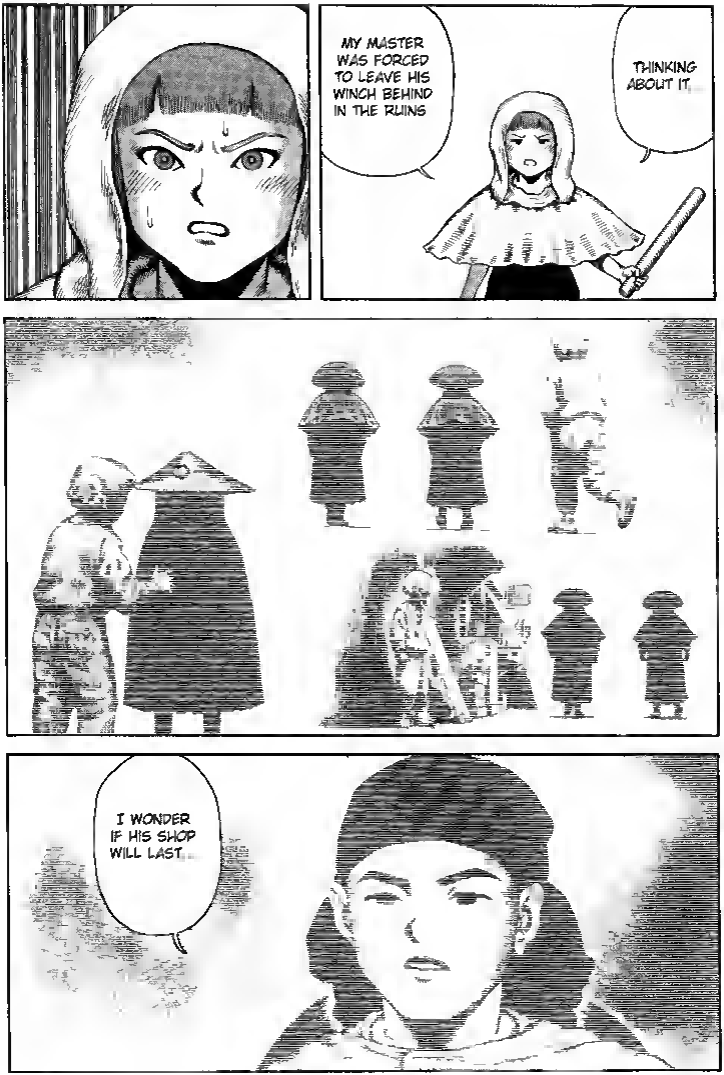
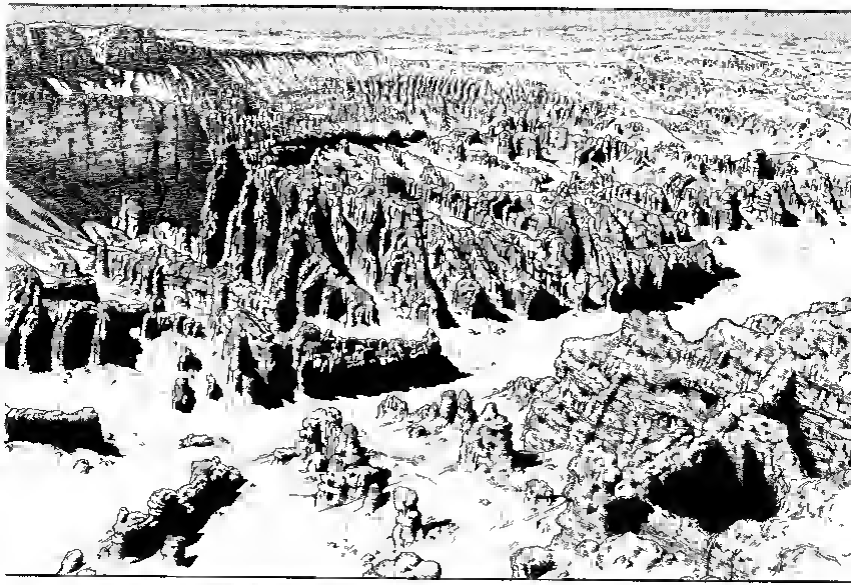
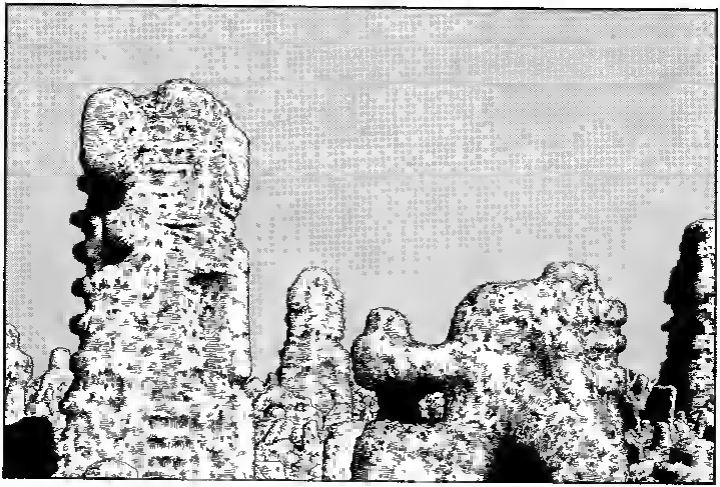

I'VE HAD A BAD FEELING THE FIRST TIME I SAW THEM
BOO, SHE'S PEEING!
THIS ISN'T GOOD!


MY MASTER WAS FORCED TO LEAVE HIS WINCH BEHIND IN THE RUINS
THINKING ABOUT IT...
I WONDER IF HIS SHOP WILL LAST...





YOU'VE MANAGED TO FIND ME. CONGRATULATIONS!
OH...
SO, WHAT'S THE MATTER?
OH YEAH?
SO I FIGURED THAT YOU'D HAVE TO BE NEARBY.
Ah, you bought some "blue" again.
I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT YOU BOUGHT A NEW WEAPON FROM IGARASHI.

THEY'RE AFTER ME.
MY WINCH LED THEM HERE.
THE GHOSTS FROM THE OTHER DAY...
THE ENEMY IS HERE
I KNOW.
I TOOK CARE TO ERASE ANY TRACE
OF ITS ORIGIN FROM EVERY PART.
I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY FIGURED WHERE IT HAD BEEN MADE.
BUT SINCE I DIDN'T FEEL THREATENED, I UNDERESTIMATED THEM.
AT FIRST, THEY CARRIED THEIR RESEARCH LIKE REAL NOVICES

THEY WERE RIGHT UNDER MY NOSE
THE MOMENT I REALIZED THAT
AND THEN, THEY QUICKLY APPEARED TO BE VERY EFFECTIVE
THEY WERE PEEVED TO HAVE BEEN OUTWITED
BUT SINCE MATSUNAMI'S SHOP WAS BURNED DOWN...
THEY'VE ARRIVED IN TOWN
I'M SORRY ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO MATSUNAMI

THEY SAVED HIS LAST THREE CHILDREN ..
THEY WENT RIGHT INTO THE FLAMES TO RESCUE THEM
THEY WILL SURELY BE SOLD AS SLAVES TO PAY FOR THE HOSPITALISATION FEES
AND FOR THE DAMAGES ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD
OH WELL, IT'S ALWAYS BETTER
THAN ABONDONING THEM IN THE DESERT.
WASN'T THERE ANOTHER WAY?
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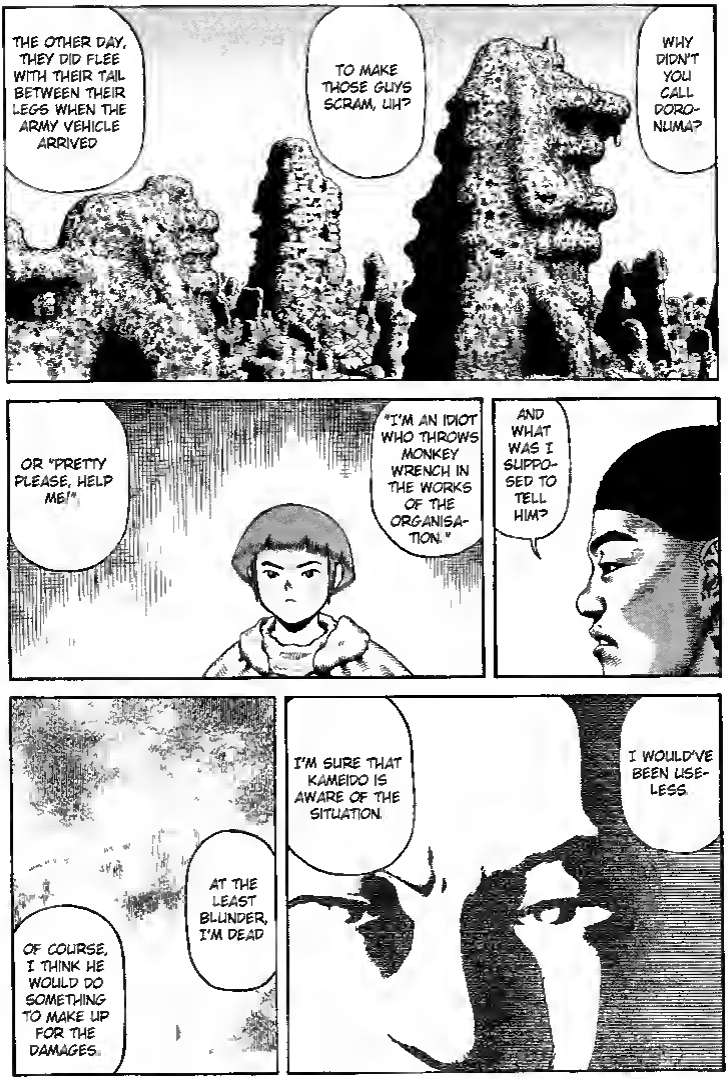
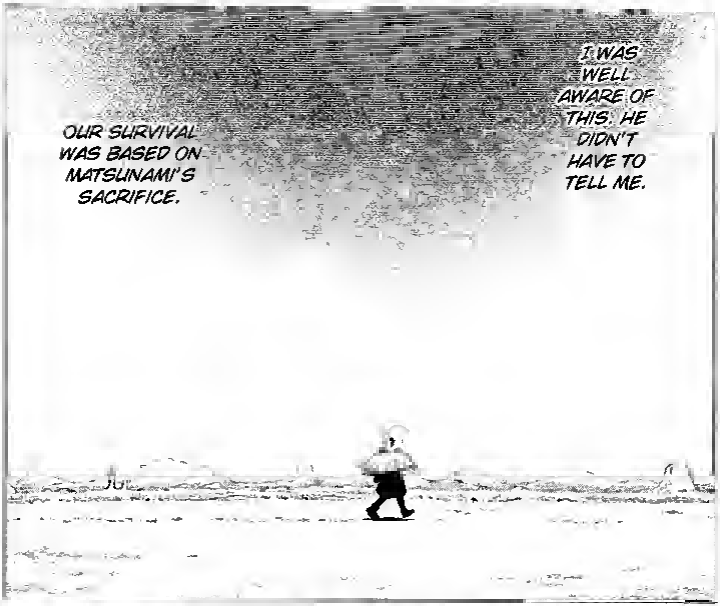
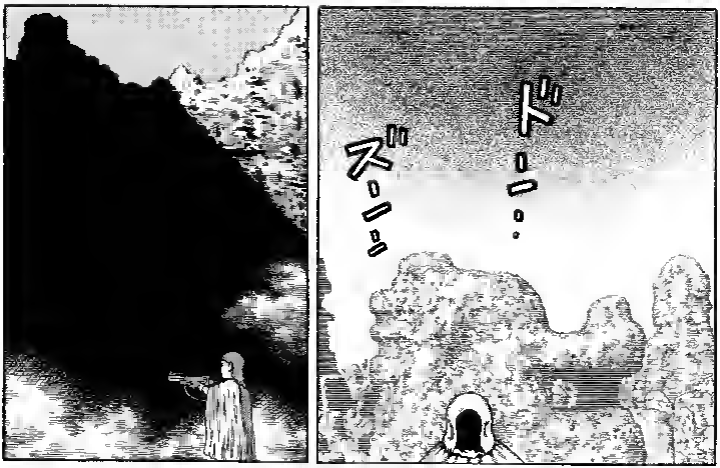

THE OTHER DAY, THEY DID FLEE WITH THEIR TAIL BETWEEN THEIR LEGS WHEN THE ARMY VEHICLE ARRIVED
TO MAKE THOSE GUYS SCRAM, UH?
WHY DIDN'T YOU CALL DORO-NUMA?
OR "PRETTY PLEASE, HELP ME!"
"I'M AN IDIOT WHO THROWS MONKEY WRENCH IN THE WORKS OF THE ORGANISA-TION."
AND WHAT WAS I SUPPO-SED TO TELL HIM?
OF COURSE, I THINK HE WOULD DO SOMETHING TO MAKE UP FOR THE DAMAGES.
AT THE LEAST BLUNDER, I'M DEAD
I'M SURE THAT KAMEIDO IS AWARE OF THE SITUATION.
I WOULD'VE BEEN USE-LESS.

IT WOULD BE AS GOOD AS TELLING THE ENEMY "HELLO, WE'RE HERE!"
HM...
WE COULD GET RID OF THEM WITH A ROCKET, LIKE WE DID WITH KAIZUKA'S ROBOT
AND WHAT IF WE WERE TO ATTACK THEM BY SURPRISE?
THEY'LL NEVER GET TO ME
BUT WITHOUT MATSUNAMI...
PFF
THEY'RE JUST TWO POOR FUCKS

HOW I DO BUSINESS.
THAT'S WHY I MUST SHOW THEM...
YOU TOSSED MATSUNAMI AWAY LIKE A USED KLEENEX.
DON'T FORGET THAT YOU WERE IN DANGER AS WELL...


I WAS WELL AWARE OF THIS. HE DIDN'T HAVE TO TELL ME.
OUR SURVIVAL WAS BASED ON MATSUNAMI'S SACRIFICE.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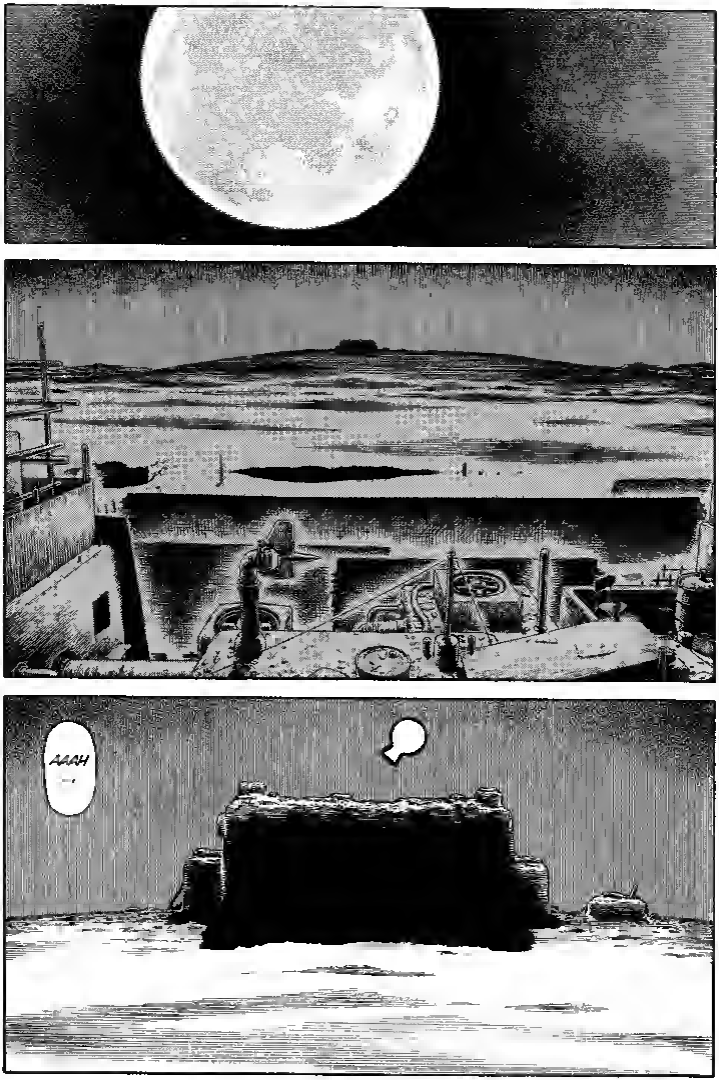
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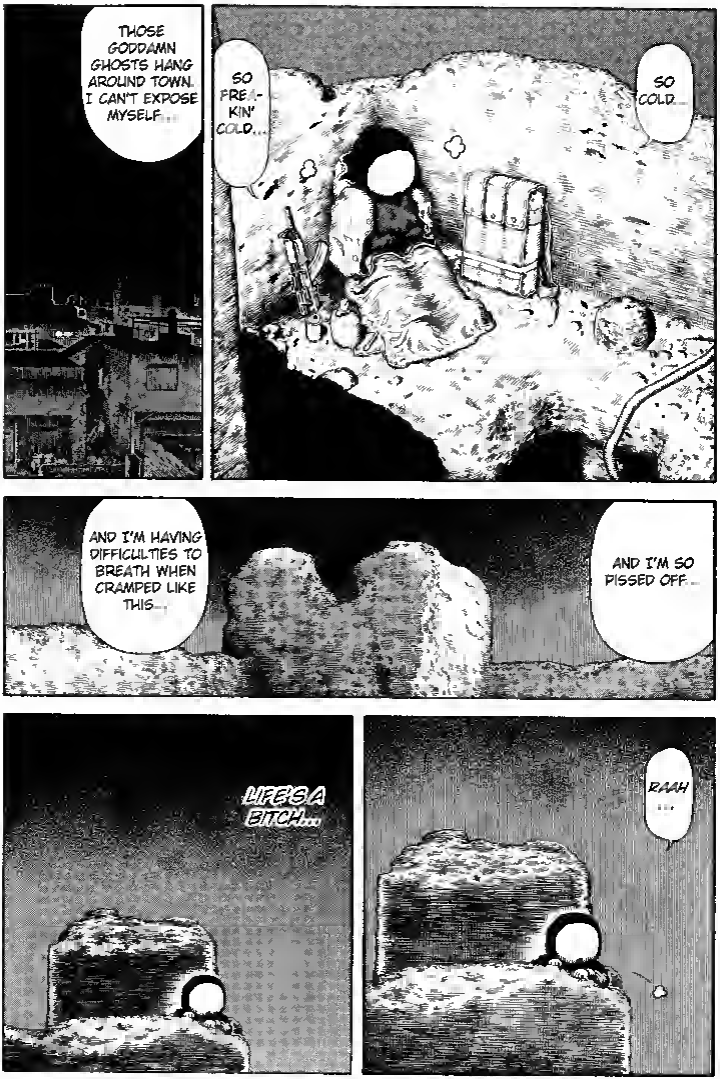
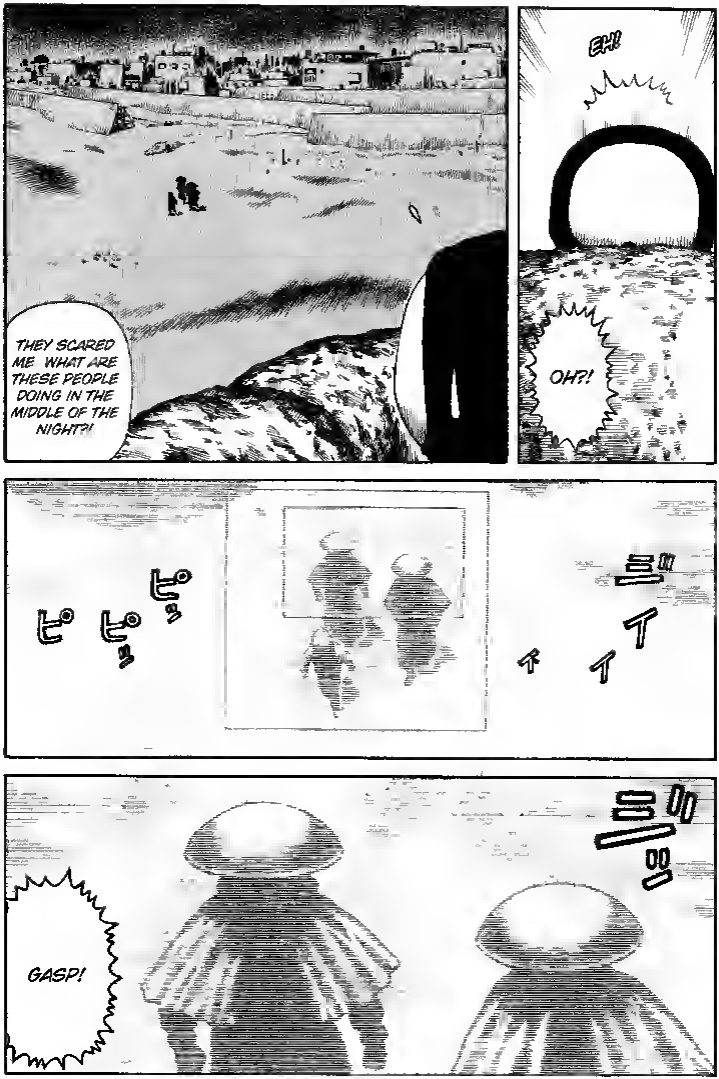

THOSE GODDAMN GHOSTS HANG AROUND TOWN. I CAN'T EXPOSE MYSELF...
SO FRE-KIN' COLD...
SO COLD...
AND I'M HAVING DIFFICULTIES TO BREATH WHEN CRAMPED LIKE THIS...
AND I'M SO PISSED OFF...
LIFE'S A BITCH...
RAAH...


THEY SCARED ME WHAT ARE THESE PEOPLE DOING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?!
EH!!
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GASP!

HUH?
WHY ARE THEY HERE?
HYII... THE GHOSTS!
OUR INFORMER!
BUT IT'S..
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WHAT'S HE DOING WITH THEM?!
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?!
WHAT THE..?

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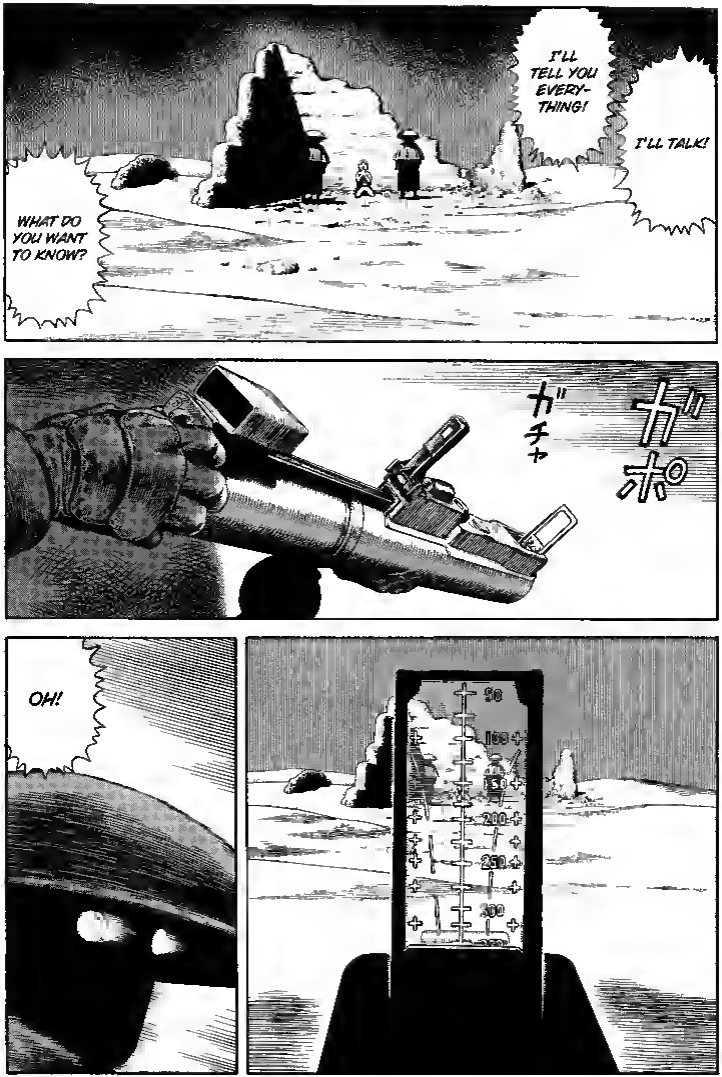
HYII...
HYII..
YOU'VE BEEN FOLLOWING US FOR A WHILE NOW
NO!
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
I...
OH, YES IT IS!
STOP FOOLING AROUND!

UP UNTIL NOW, WE STAYED QUIET BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO DRAW ATTENTION ON US...
BUT SINCE OUR ONLY LEAD HAS GONE UP IN SMOKE...
WE'LL HAVE TO INTERROGATE YOU.
HYAAA...
YOU WORK FOR THE OWNER OF THE WINCH, DON'T YOU?
YOU'D BETTER TALK, OR ELSE YOU'LL EARN SOME PAINFUL MEMORIES
WE KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT THE HUMAN BODY.
WE'VE LEARNED THE ART OF TORTURING A PERSON WITHOUT HIM DYING.
AT THE END, YOU'LL PROBABLY BEG FOR US TO KILL YOU, JUST TO STOP THE PAIN. .
IF YOU DON'T TALK..


I'LL TELL YOU EVERY-THING!
I'LL TALK!
WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?
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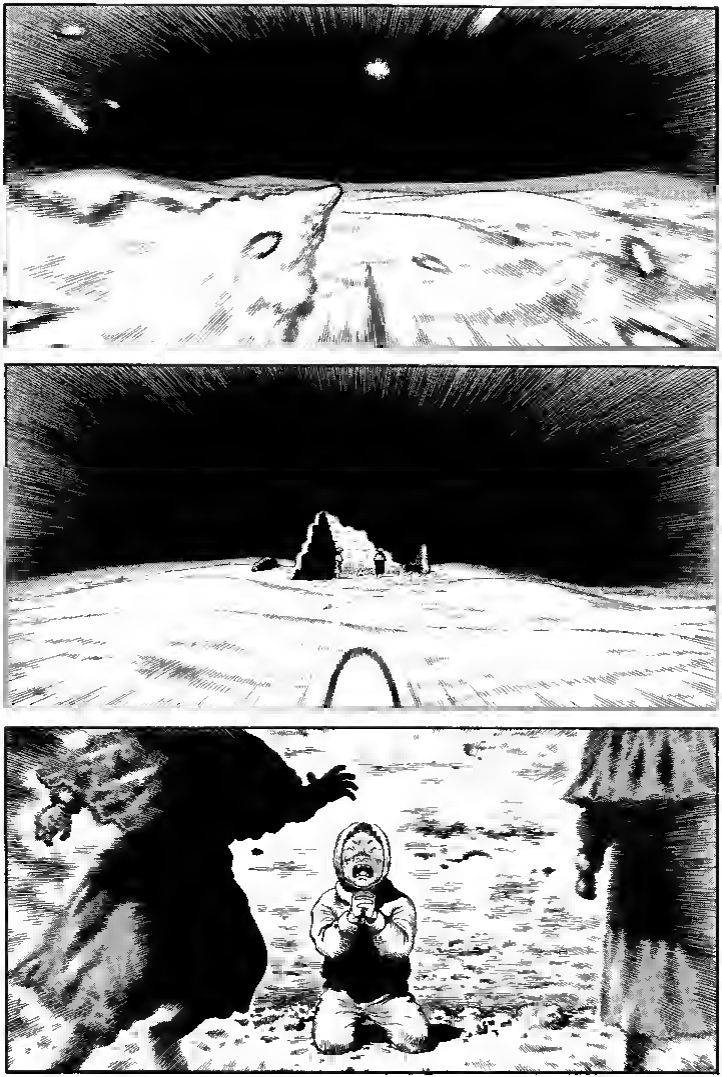

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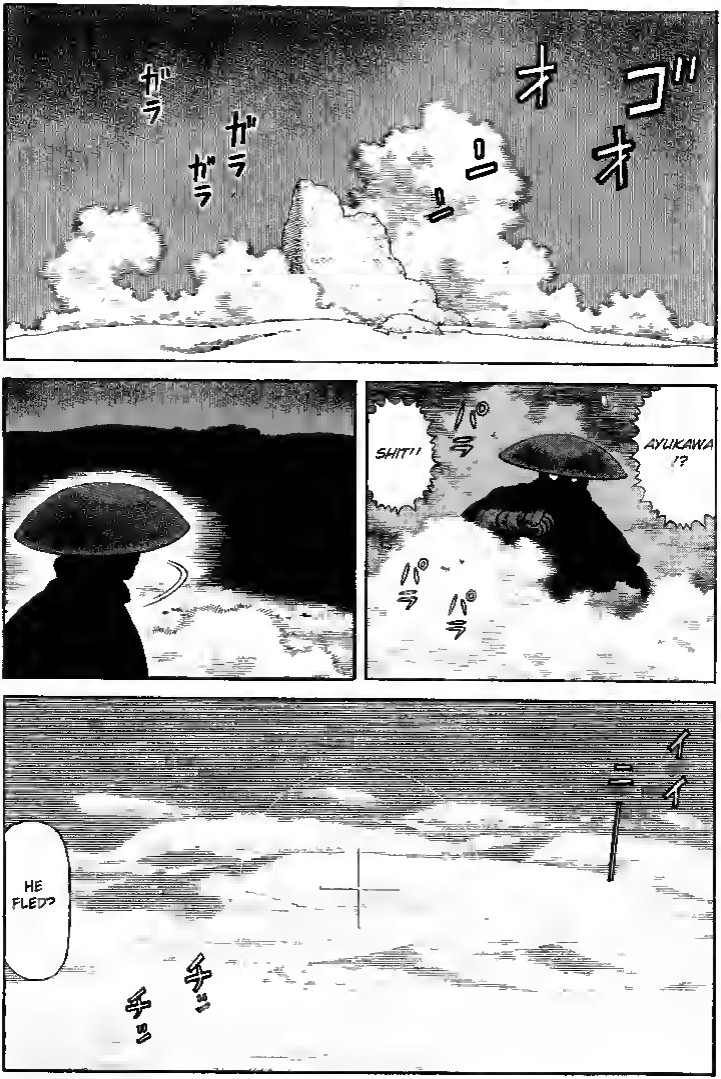
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SHIT!!
AYUKAWA!?
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HE FLED?
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ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
RAAAH
IT WAS TO SHUT HIM UP
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WE WEREN'T THE TARGET.
YES BUT WE DON'T NEED HIM ANYMORE
IS HE ALIVE?
HE'S GOT THE SAME GEAR AS LAST TIME
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IT'S OUR MAN. OUR SENSORS HAVE DETECTED HIM AT THE LAST MOMENT
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SOME KIND OF EXPLOSION APPARENTLY...
WHAT WAS THAT NOISE?
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
WE CAN'T STAY HERE.

I GOT HIM! I GOT HIM!
HE HE HE HE
TOO BAD FOR THAT STUPID INFORMER!
THAT WAS A CLOSE CALL, WE'VE ALMOST BEEN UNCOVERED.
THE "GHOST SPECIAL" ROCKET HAS BEEN EFFICIENT
DID HE PUT HIS LIFE IN DANGER TO PROTECT HIM?
THE OTHER IDIOT PUT HIMSELF RIGHT ONTO MY LINE OF SIGHT
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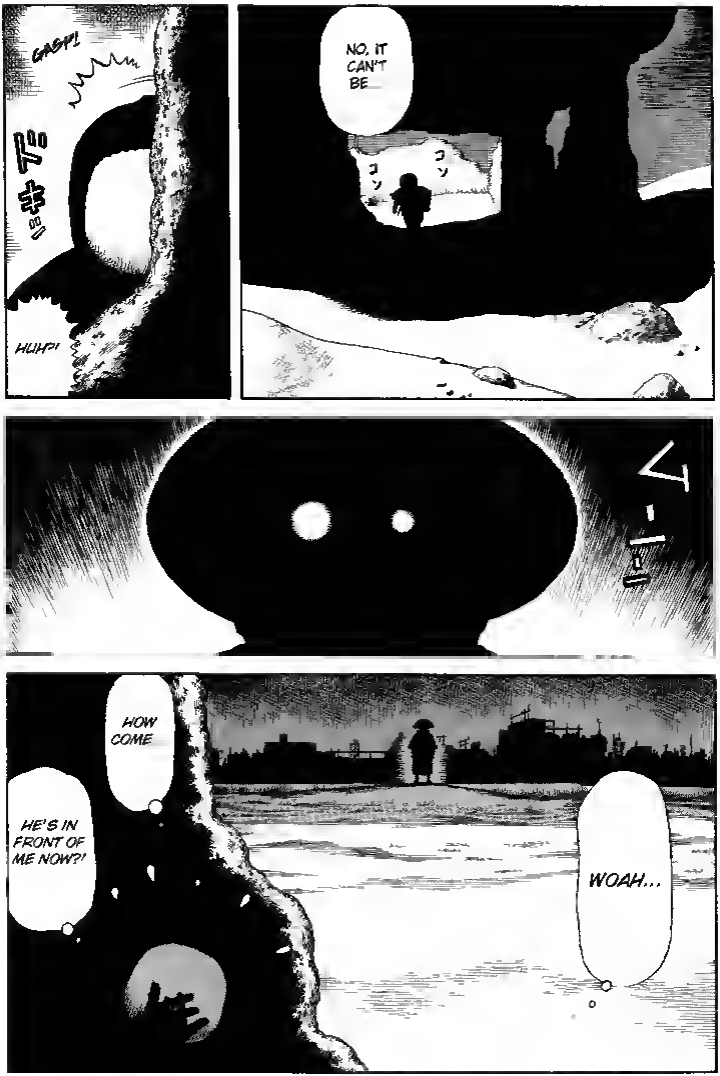
GASP!
HUH?!
NO, IT CAN'T BE...
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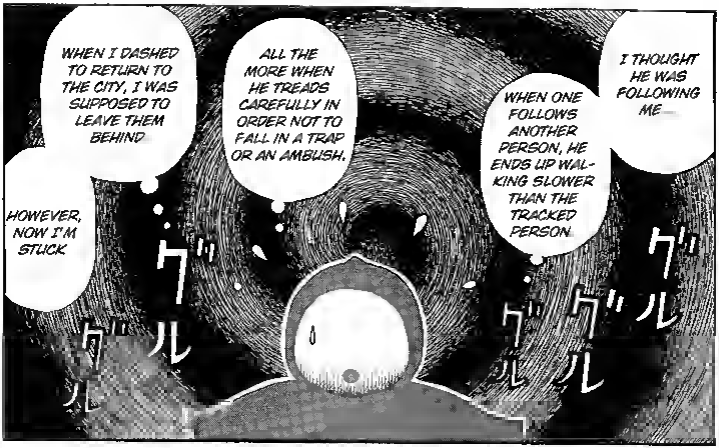
I THOUGHT HE WAS FOLLOWING ME...
WHEN ONE FOLLOWS ANOTHER PERSON, HE ENDS UP WALKING SLOWER THAN THE TRACKED PERSON.
ALL THE MORE WHEN HE TREADS CAREFULLY IN ORDER NOT TO FALL IN A TRAP OR AN AMBUSH.
WHEN I DASHED TO RETURN TO THE CITY, I WAS SUPPOSED TO LEAVE THEM BEHIND.
HOWEVER, NOW I'M STUCK.
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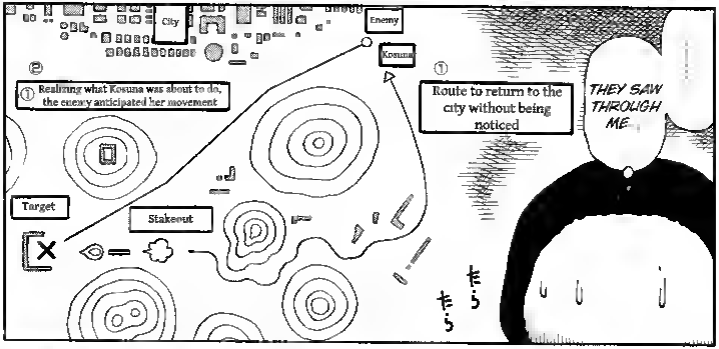
City
Enemy
Kosuna
① Realizing what Kosuna was about to do, the enemy anticipated her movement
① Route to return to the city without being noticed
Target
Stakeout
THEY SAW THROUGH ME...
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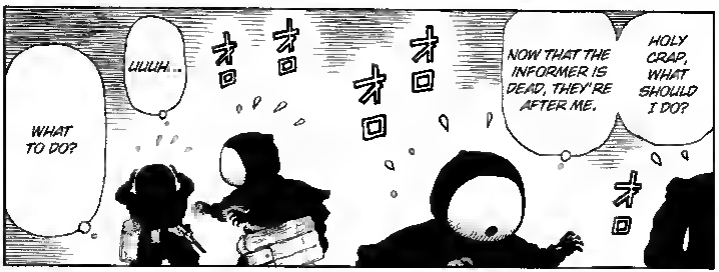
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WHAT TO DO?
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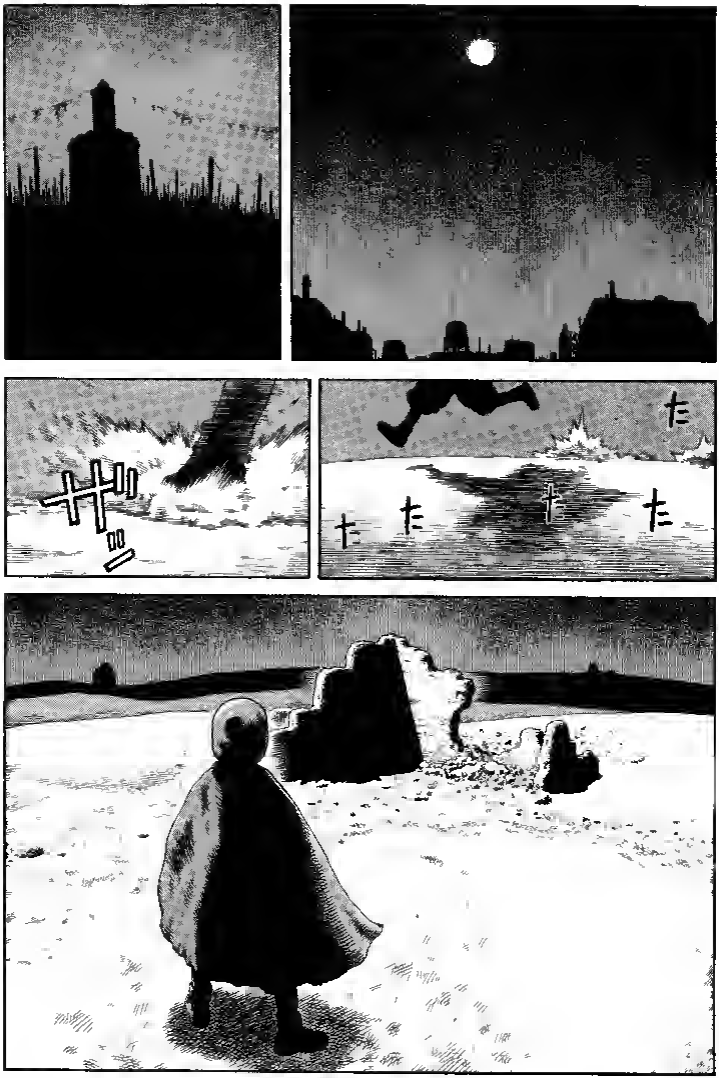
NOW THAT THE INFORMER IS DEAD, THEY'RE AFTER ME.
HOLY CRAP, WHAT SHOULD I DO?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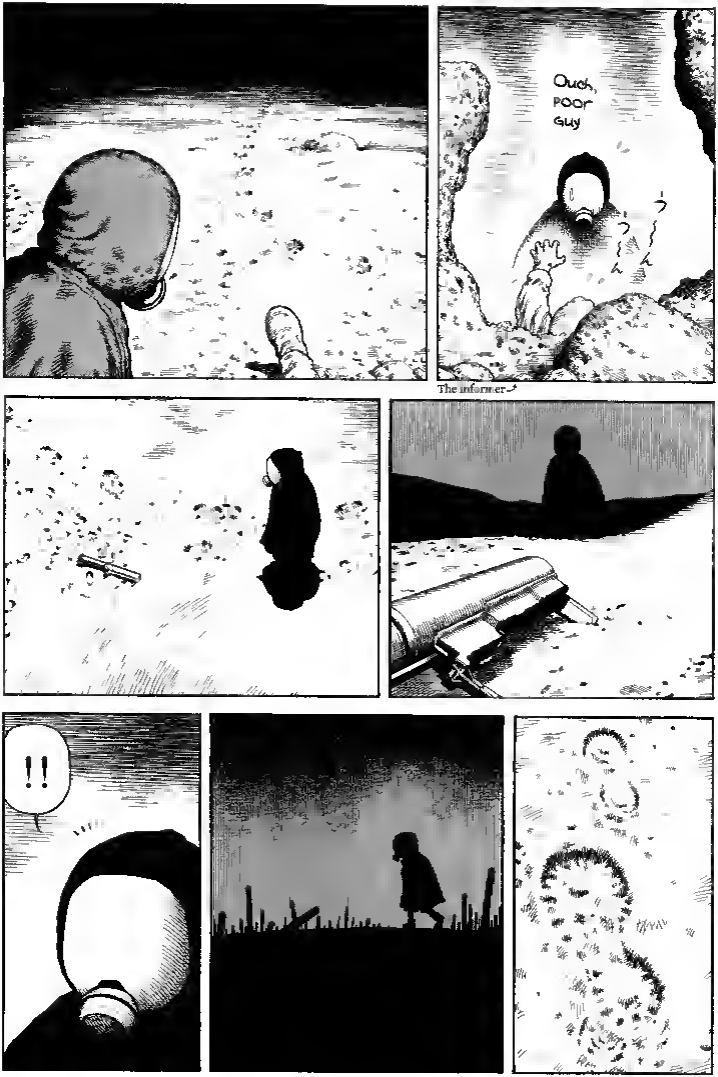
Ouch, poor guy
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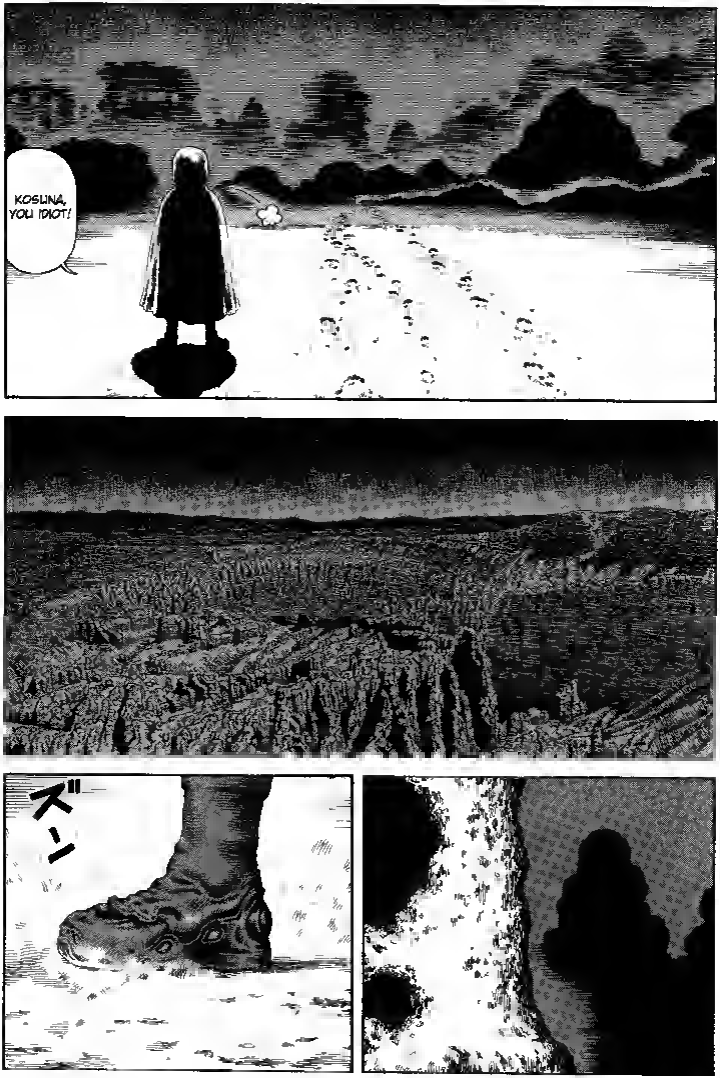
The informer


KOSUNA, YOU IDIOT!
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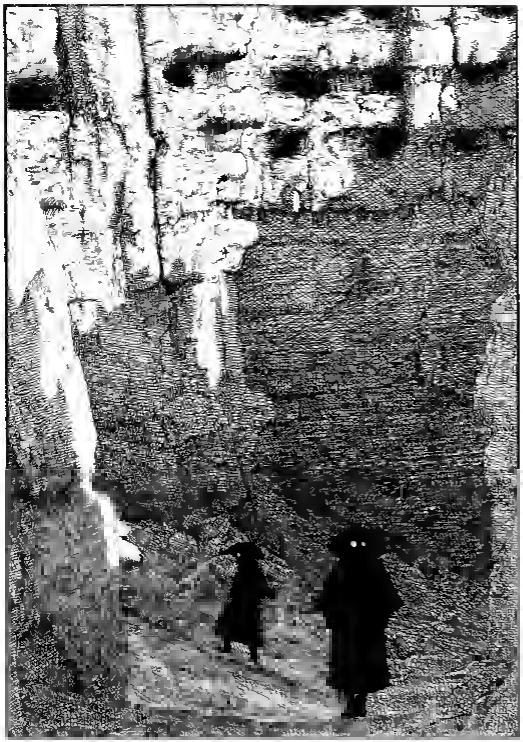

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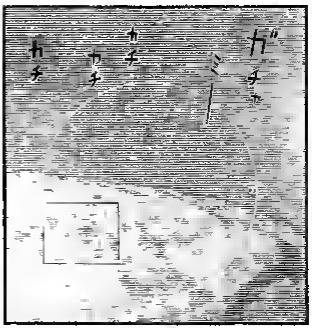
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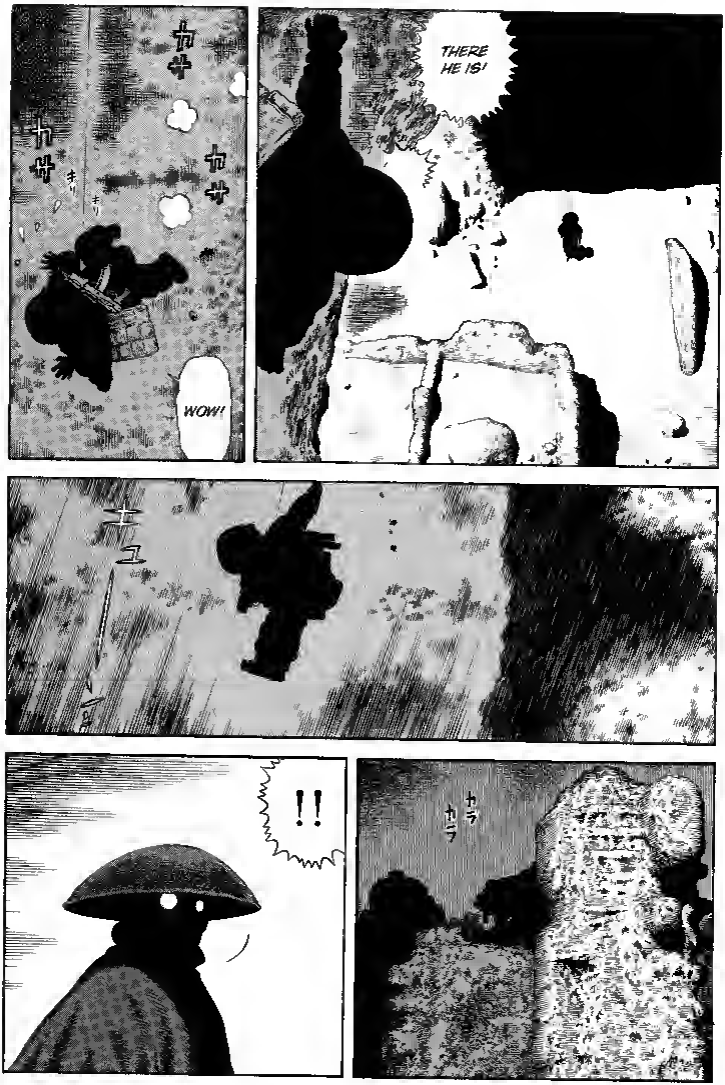
WOW!!
THERE HE IS!
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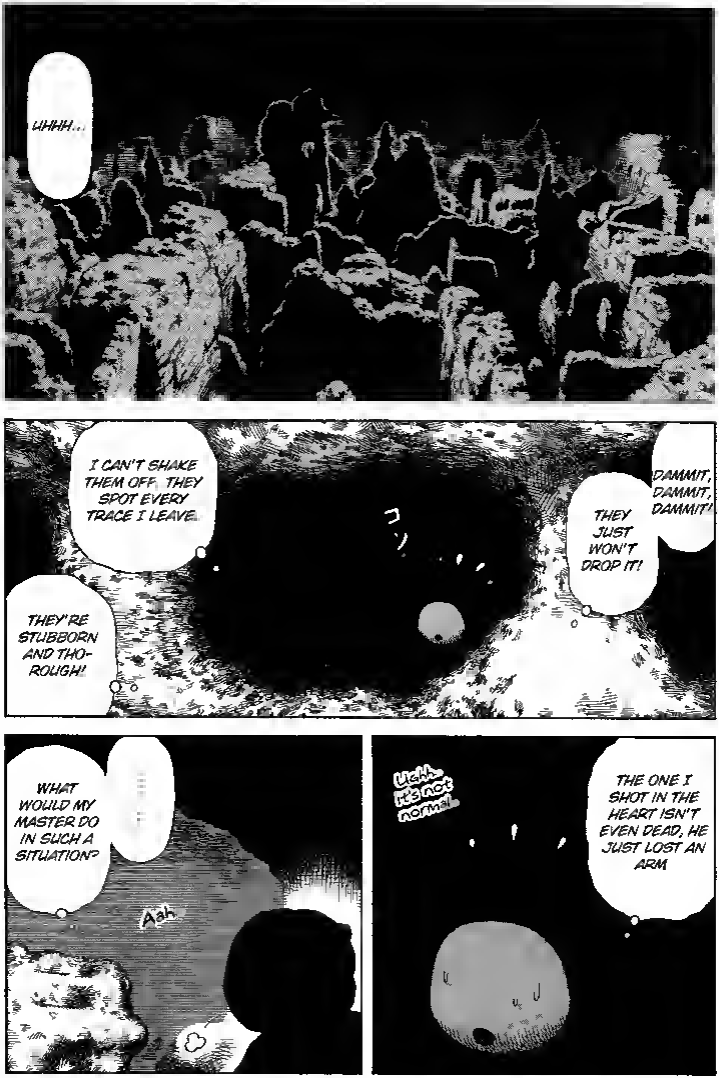
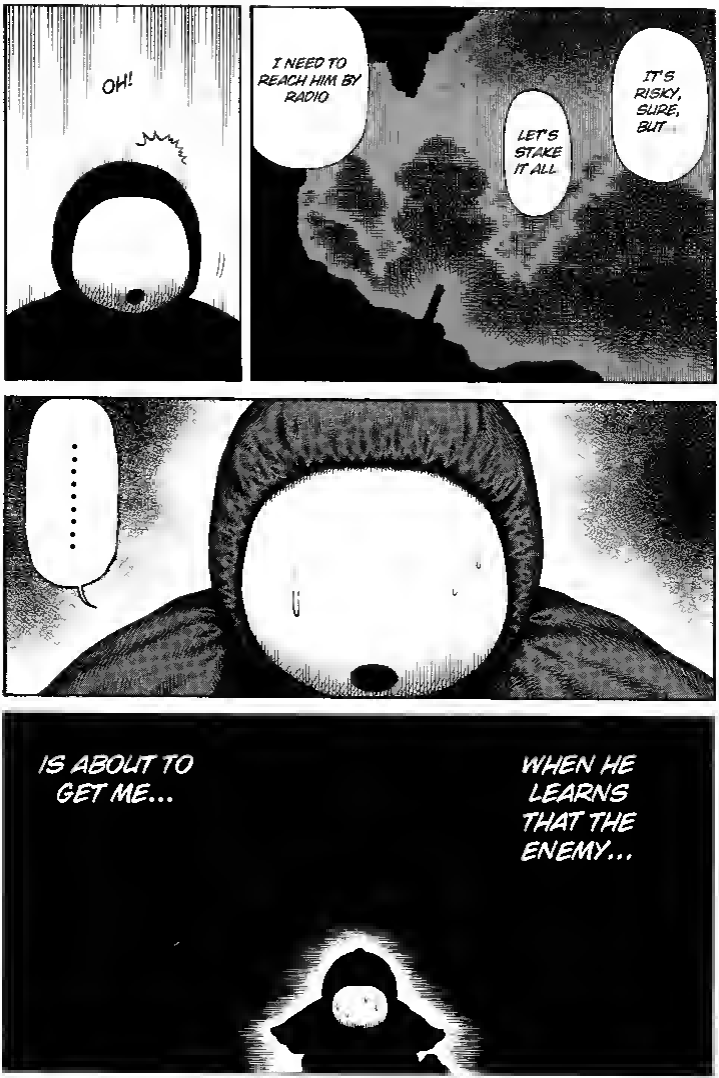
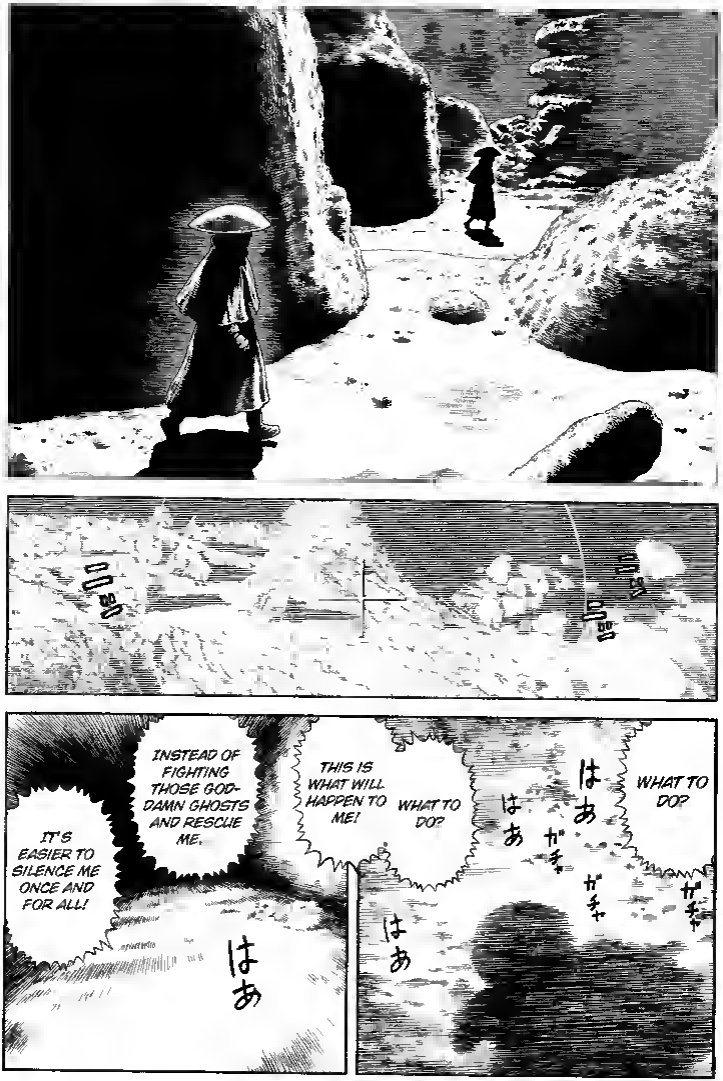

UHHH...
I CAN'T SHAKE THEM OFF. THEY SPOT EVERY TRACE I LEAVE.
THEY'RE STUBBORN AND THO-ROUGH!
DAMMIT, DAMMIT, DAMMIT!
THEY JUST WON'T DROP IT!
WHAT WOULD MY MASTER DO IN SUCH A SITUATION?
Aah.
Uchh... it's not normal
THE ONE I SHOT IN THE HEART ISN'T EVEN DEAD, HE JUST LOST AN ARM


OH!
I NEED TO REACH HIM BY RADIO
LET'S STAKE IT ALL
IT'S RISKY, SURE, BUT
.....
IS ABOUT TO GET ME...
WHEN HE LEARNS THAT THE ENEMY...

IF IT'S THE SAME FOR ME...
HE DIDN'T HESITATE TO SACRIFICE HIM IN ORDER TO SAVE HIS SKIN.
WHILE MATSUNAMI WAS IMPORTANT TO HIM ..
STUPID BRAT!
IDIOT!
MIDGET!
HE WILL KILL ME WITHOUT EVEN FLINCHING, CRUSHING ME LIKE A MERE BUG!
HE'LL WANT TO GET RID OF ME!


IT'S EASIER TO SILENCE ME ONCE AND FOR ALL!
INSTEAD OF FIGHTING THOSE GOD-DAMN GHOSTS AND RESCUE ME.
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THIS IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME!
WHAT TO DO?
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WHAT TO DO?
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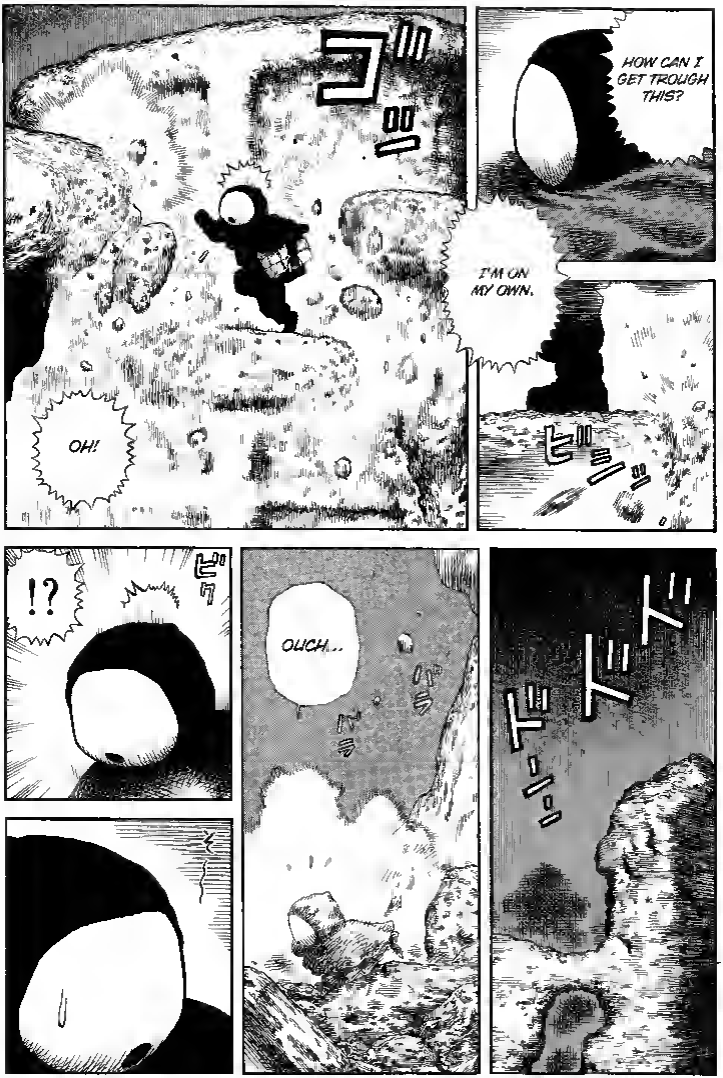
HOW CAN I GET TROUGH THIS?
I'M ON MY OWN.
OH!
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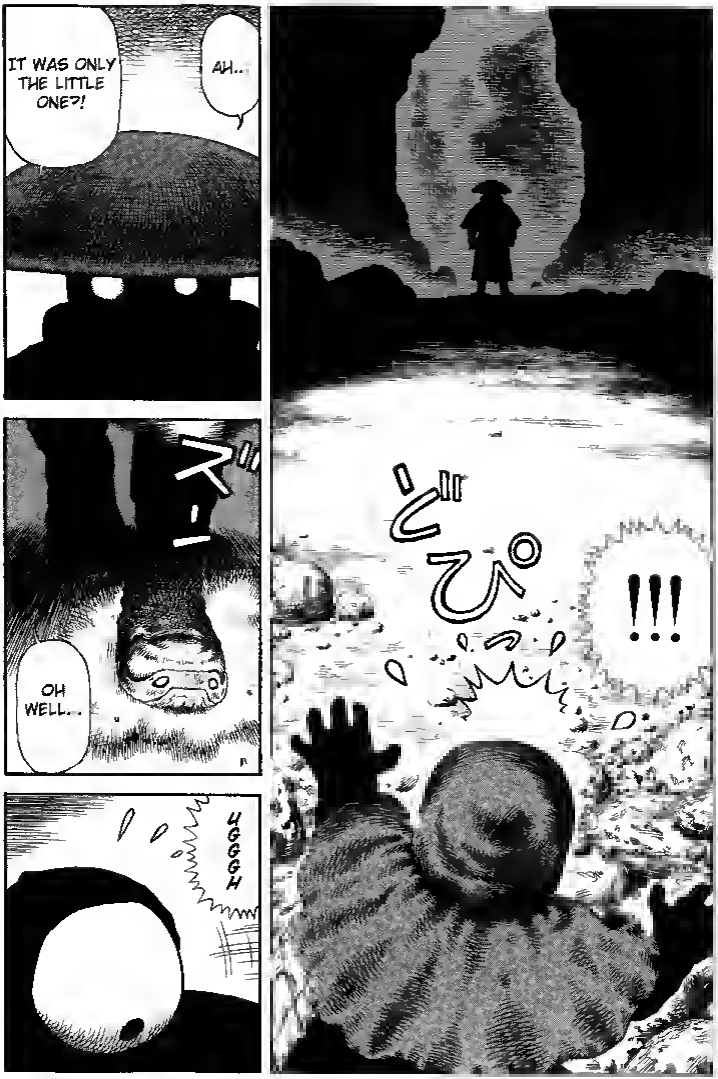
OUCH...


IT WAS ONLY THE LITTLE ONE?!
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OH WELL...
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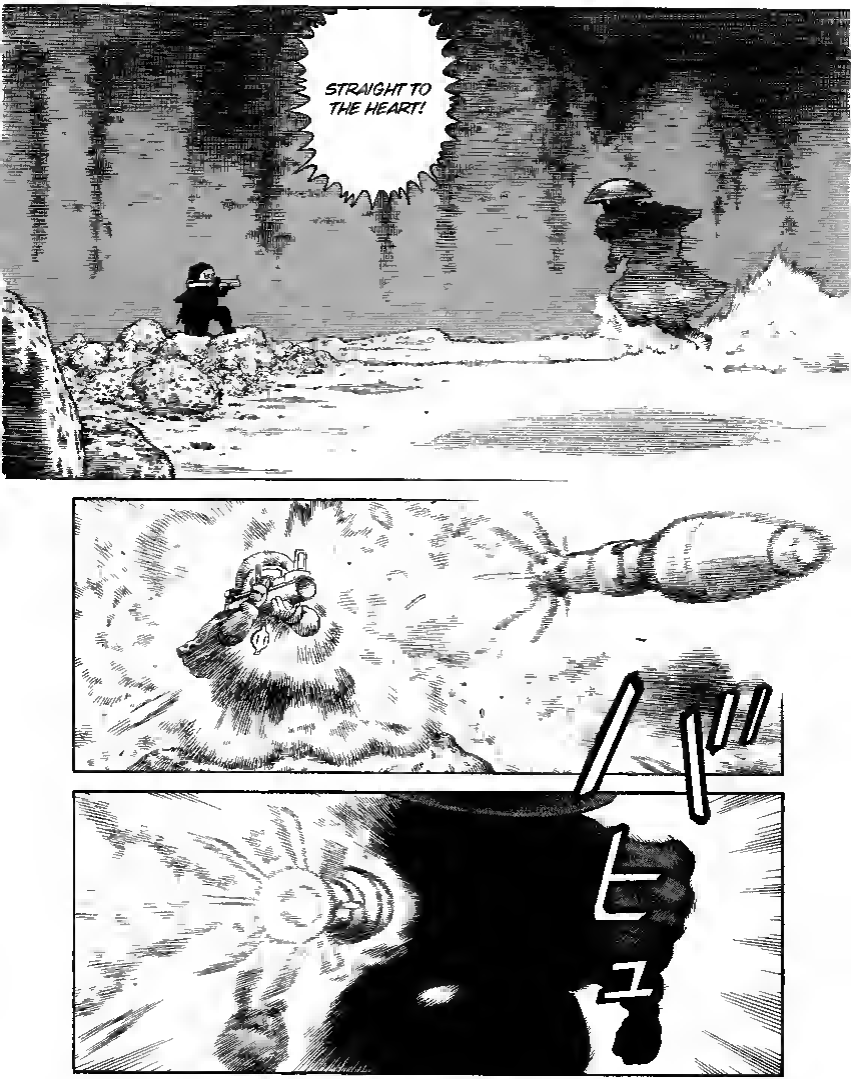
STAY CALM, STAAAY CALM
THEY WON'T KILL ME RIGHT AWAY.
THEY HAVE TOO MANY QUESTIONS TO ASK ME FIRST


STRAIGHT TO THE HEART!
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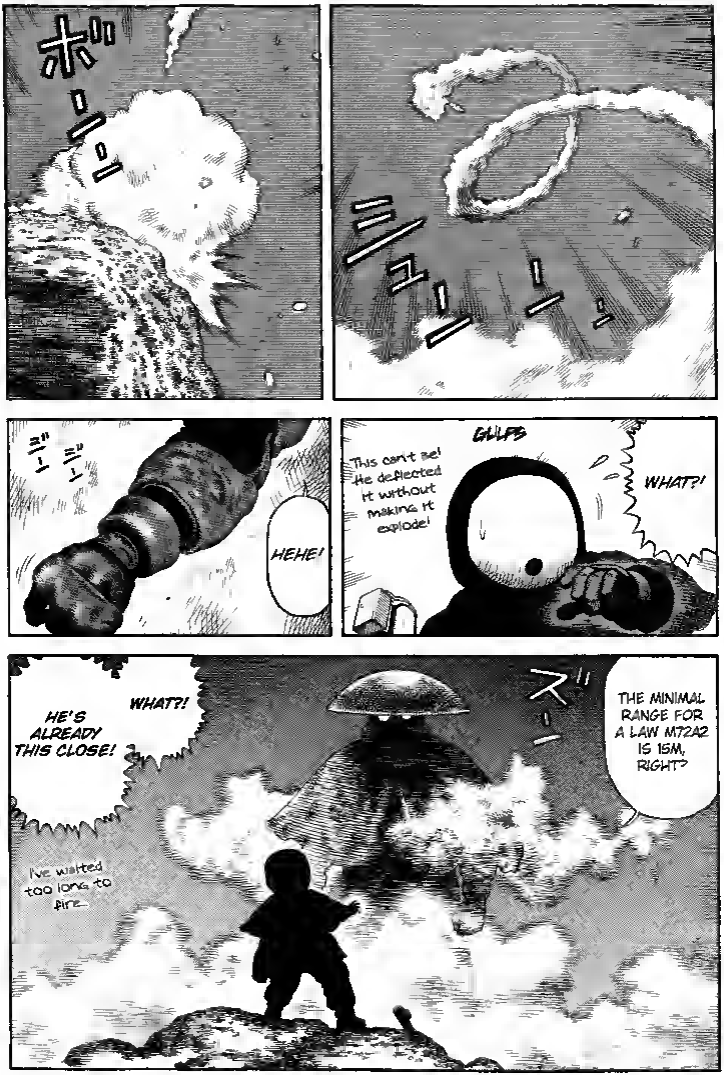
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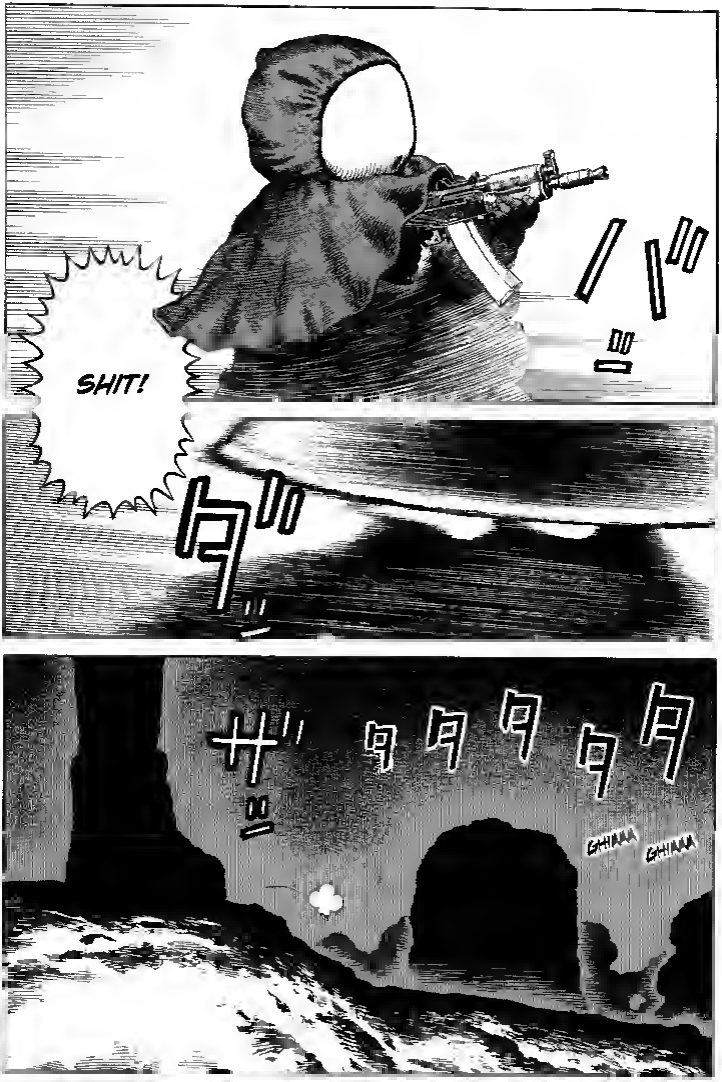
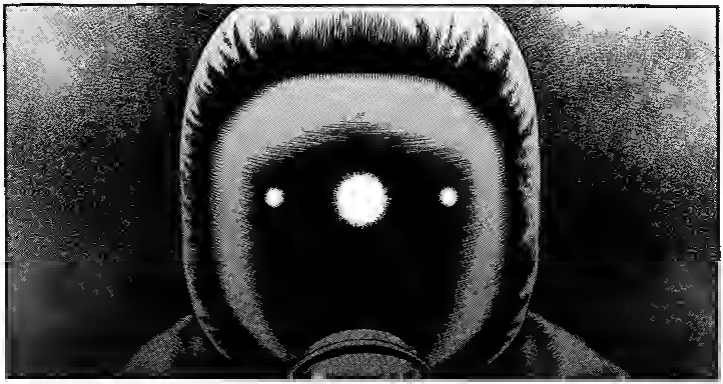
HEHE!
GULP
This can't be! He deflected it without making it explode!
WHAT?!
THE MINIMAL RANGE FOR A LAW M72A2 IS 15M, RIGHT?
WHAT?!
HE'S ALREADY THIS CLOSE!
I've waited too long to fire.


SHIT!
GHHAAA
GHHAAA



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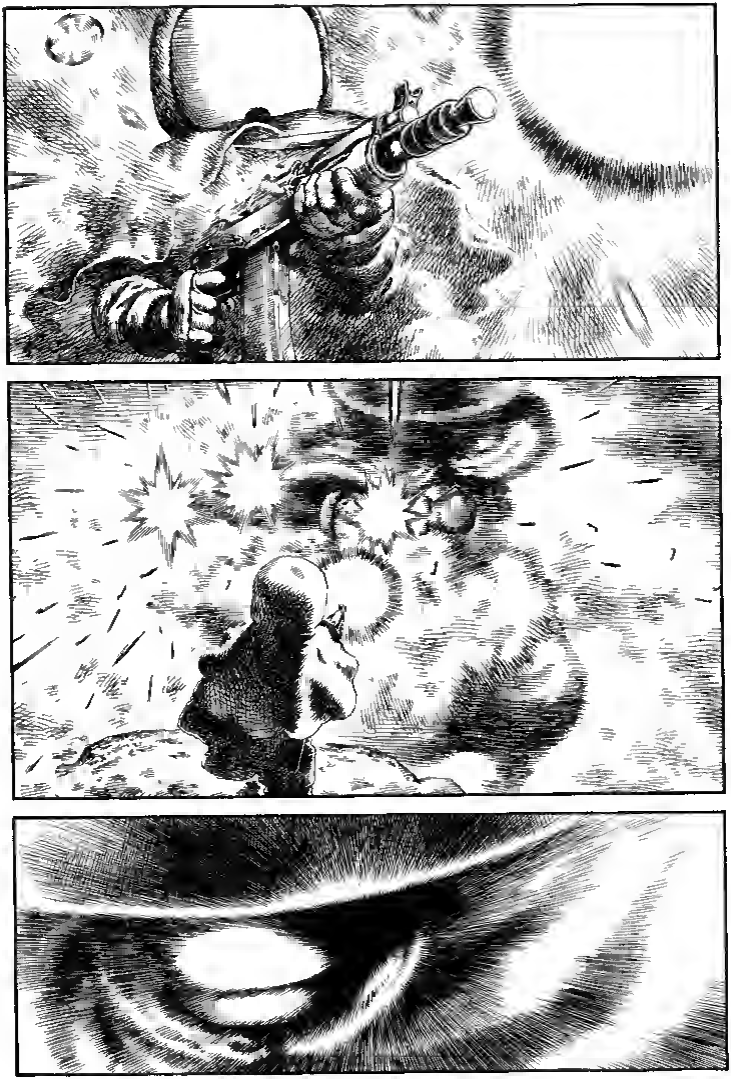

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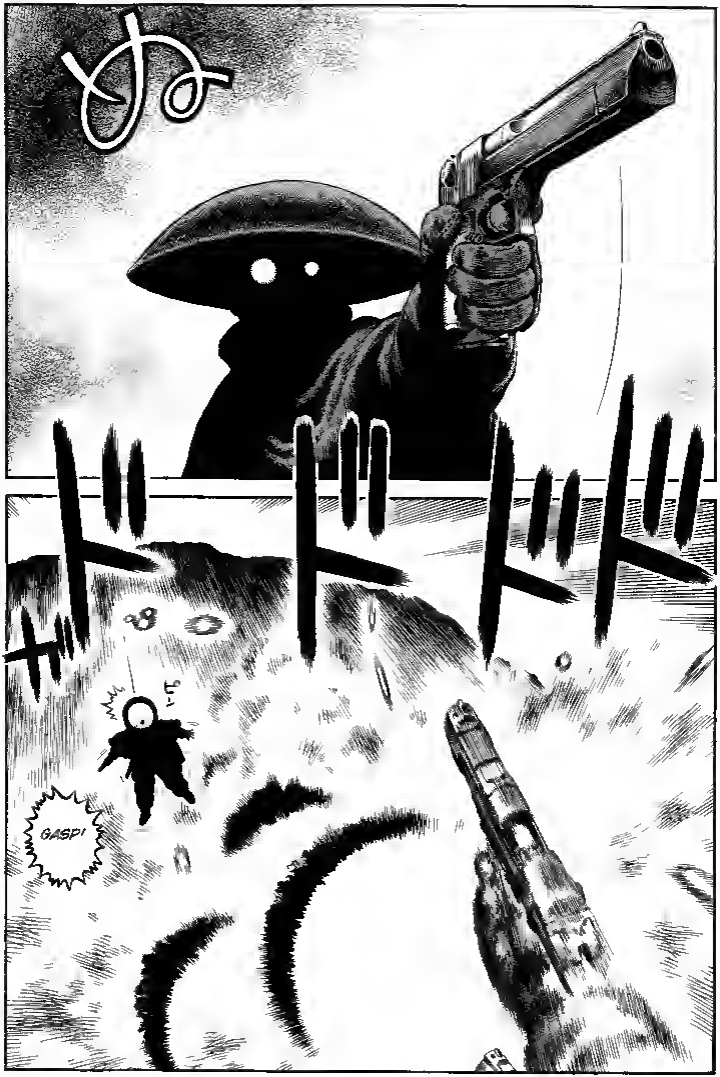
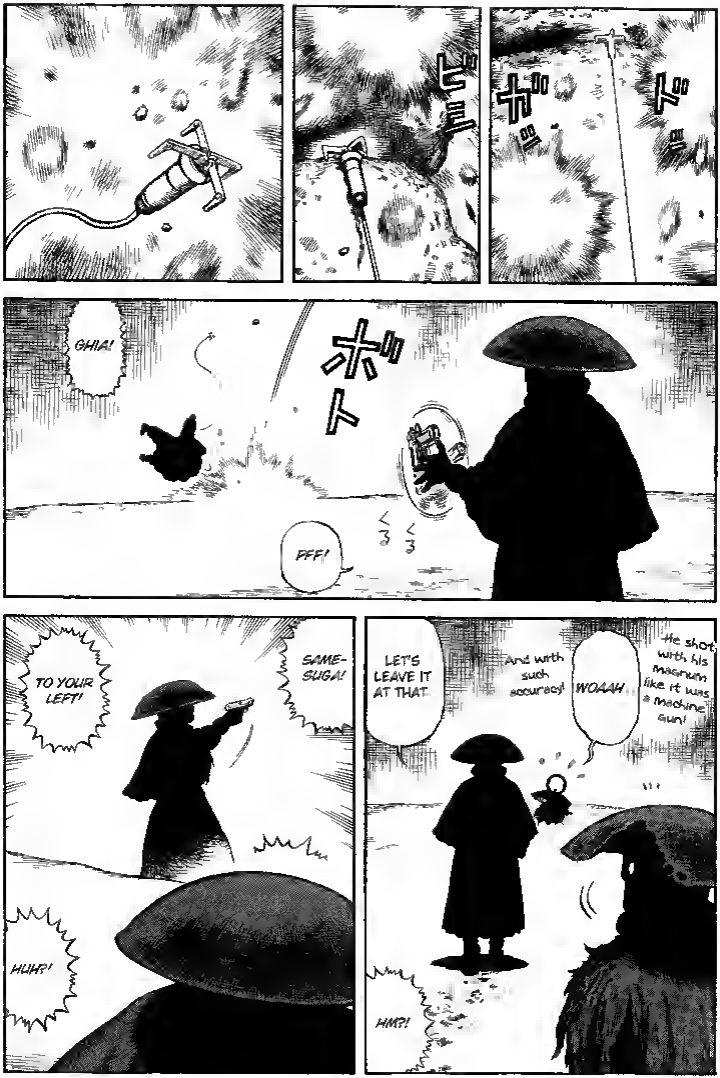
WOW!
CLAC!
OH?


GASP!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WAH!

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HE'S GOT ARMOR-PIERCING AMMO!
40MM!
DAMN!
IT'S HIM!
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SHIT...
THE LITTLE ONE GOT AWAY
KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED
WHERE IS HE?
ON TOP OF THAT, THEY'VE GOT A 40MM. THE LEAST MISTAKE WOULD BE LETHAL
AND THEY KNOW THIS AREA. IN THESE CONDITIONS, THEY CLEARLY HAVE AN ADVANTAGE.
HEHEHE! HE FINALLY SHOWED HIMSELF!
WE DIDN'T SEE HIM COMING
THEIR NIGHT GEAR IS AS GOOD AS OURS.
LET'S GIVE IT OUR BEST.

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HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUH!?
HEY!
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HYIII...
HYIII...
IT'S ME!
HYIII...
HYIII...
TO KILL ME?
YOU... YOU WANTED
AAAH...
YES, JUST LIKE MATSU-NAMI...
YOU WANTED TO SILENCE ME!
BECAUSE THE ENEMY WAS ABOUT TO CATCH ME.
WHAT?
DID I?

BY COMING HERE
YOU FELL IN THEIR TRAP.
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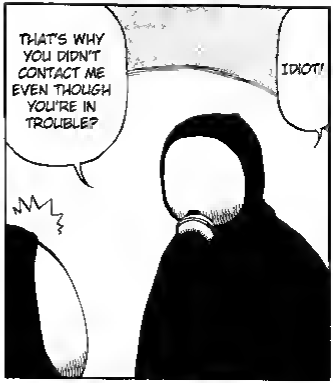
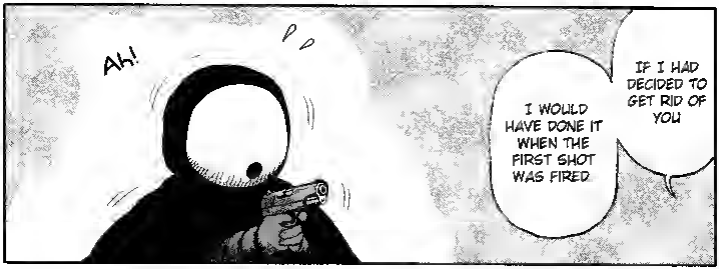
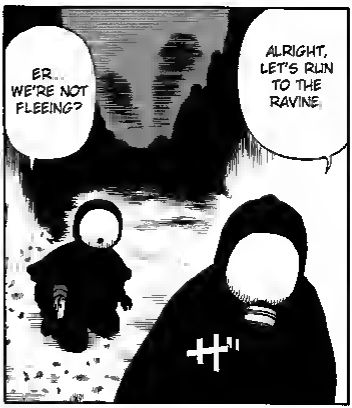
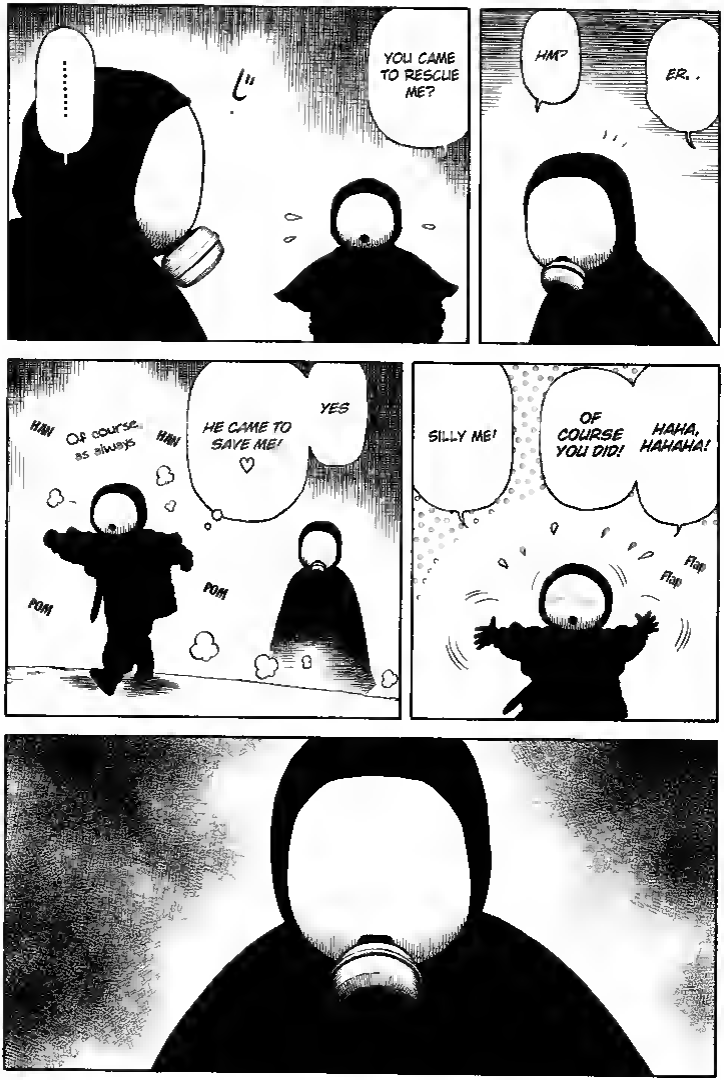

IDIOT!
THAT'S WHY YOU DIDN'T CONTACT ME EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE IN TROUBLE?


IF I HAD DECIDED TO GET RID OF YOU
I WOULD HAVE DONE IT WHEN THE FIRST SHOT WAS FIRED.
AH!

YOU THINK WE'VE GOT A CHOICE?
ER... NO...
AS SOON AS WE'RE THERE, THEY'LL BE ON OUR TAIL AGAIN.


ALRIGHT, LET'S RUN TO THE RAVINE.
ER... WE'RE NOT FLEEING?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YOU CAME TO RESCUE ME?
HM?
ER. .
HAH
Of course, as always
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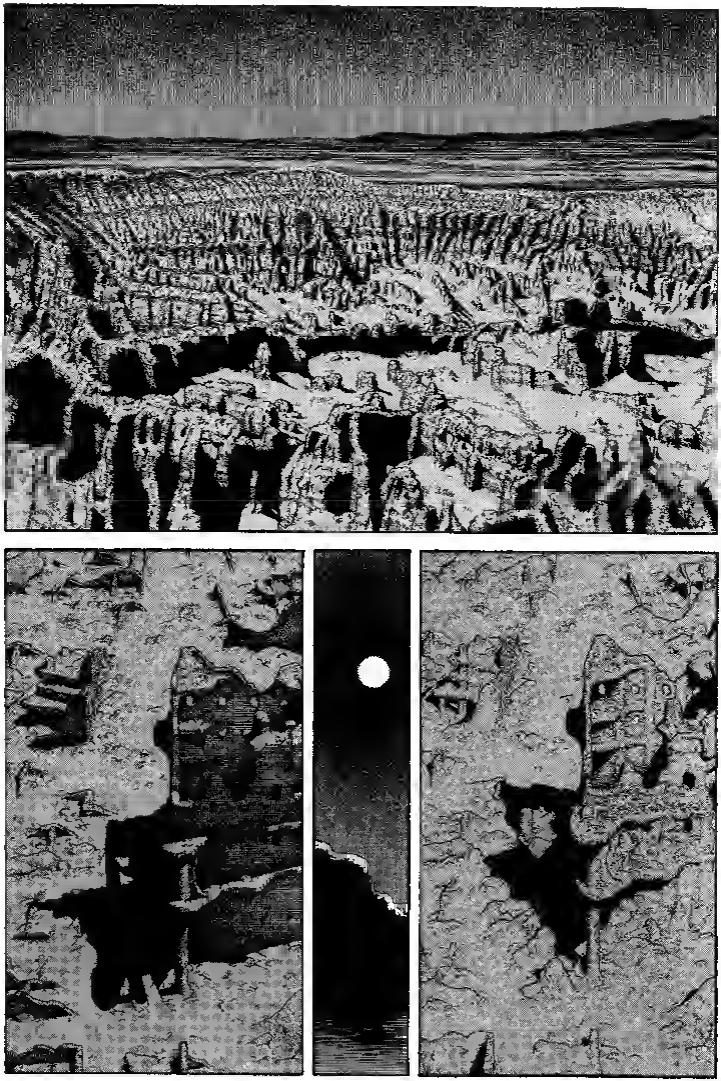
HE CAME TO SAVE ME!
YES
SILLY ME!
OF COURSE YOU DID!
HAHA, HAHAHA!
Flap
Flap



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YOU OK?
HE KNOWS WE CAN'T KILL HIM. HE'S TOYING WITH US.
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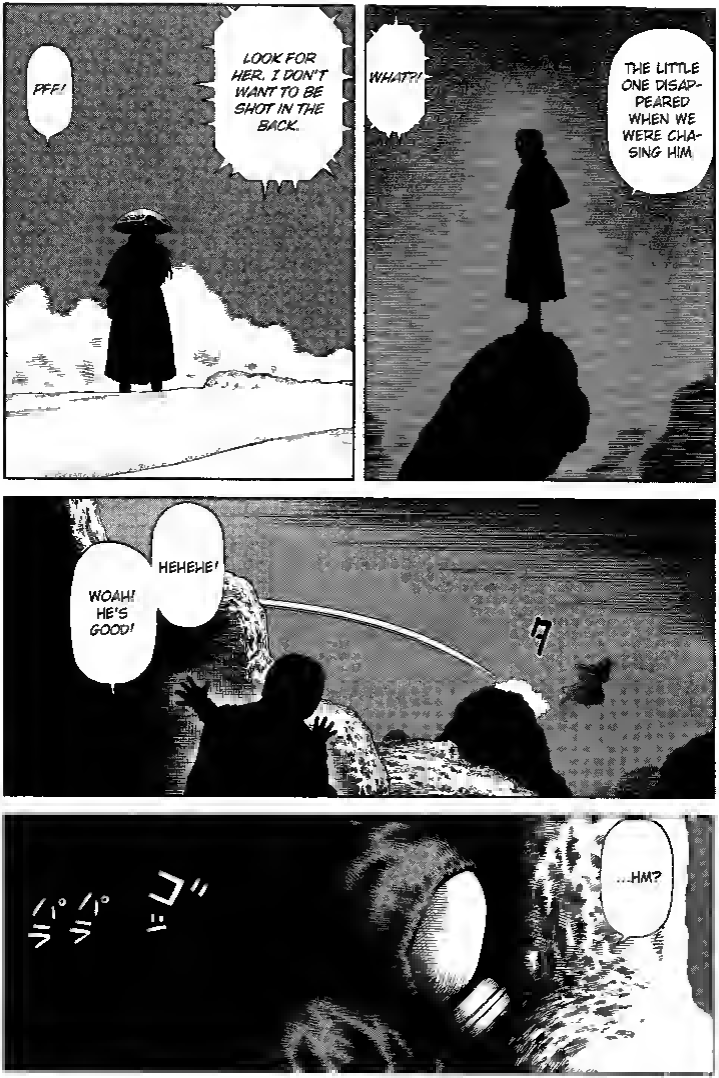
PFF!
LOOK FOR HER. I DON'T WANT TO BE SHOT IN THE BACK.
WHAT?!
THE LITTLE ONE DISAPPEARED WHEN WE WERE CHASING HIM.
WOAH! HE'S GOOD!
HEHEHE!
...HM?

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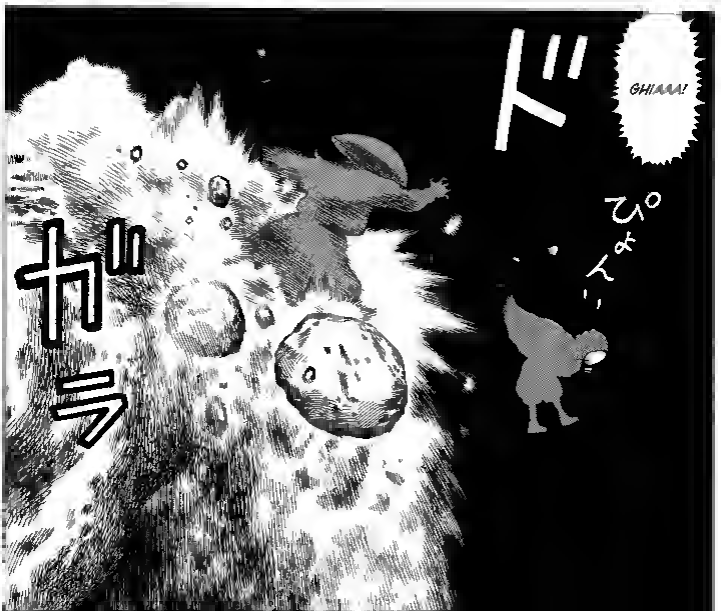
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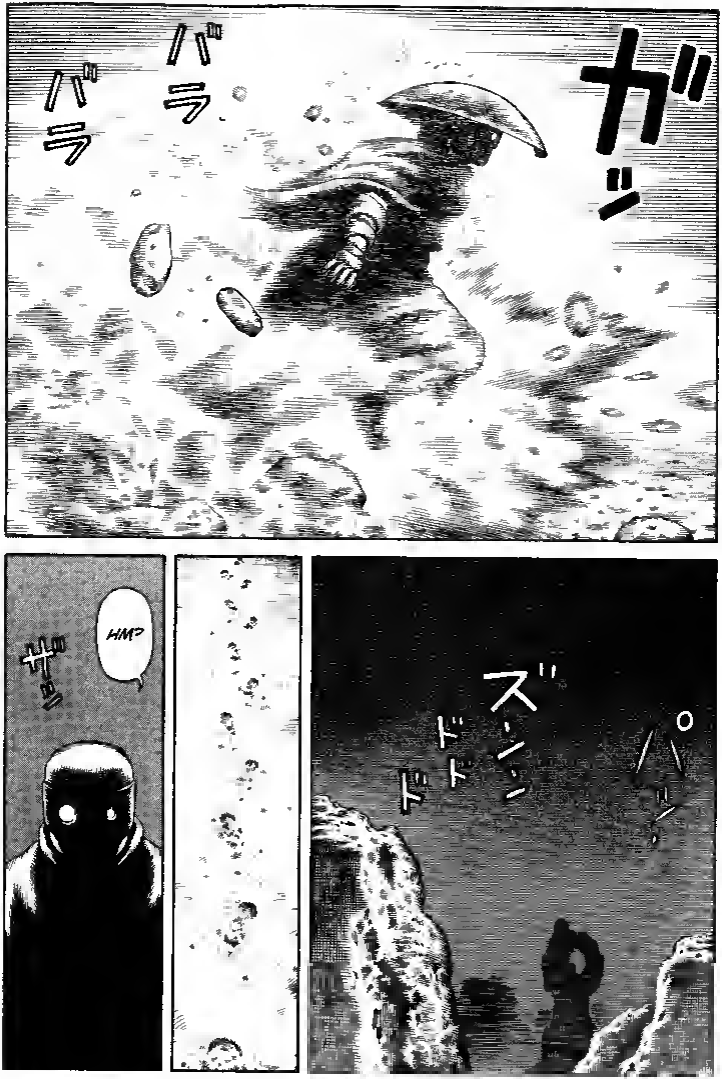
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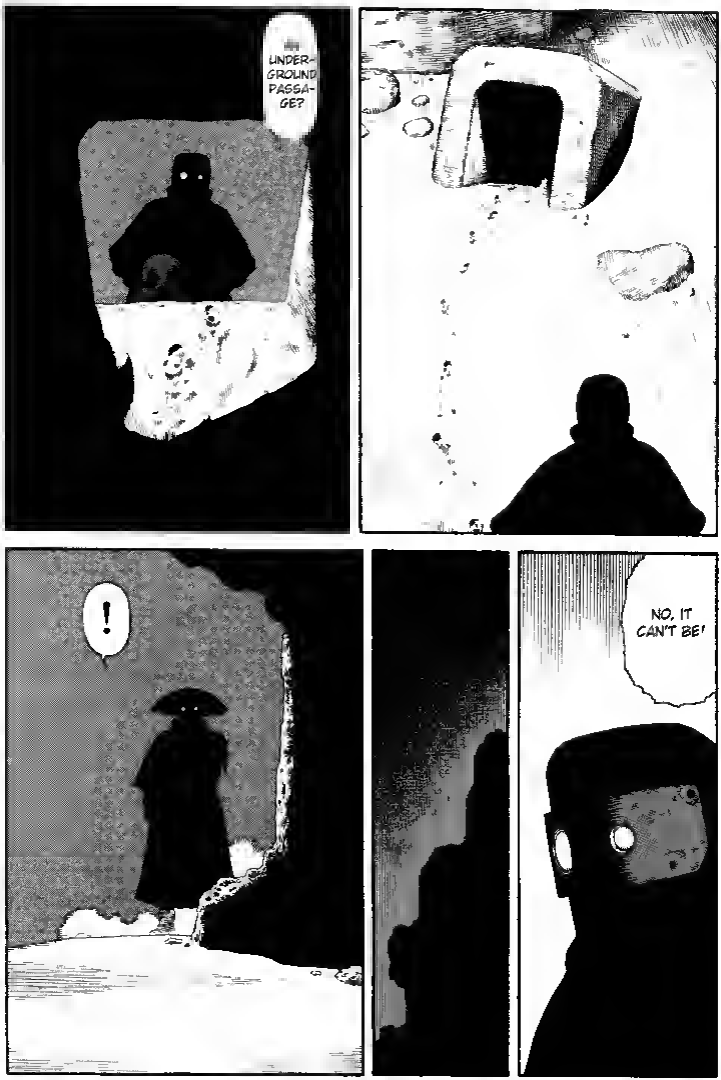
UNDER-GROUND PASSA-GE?
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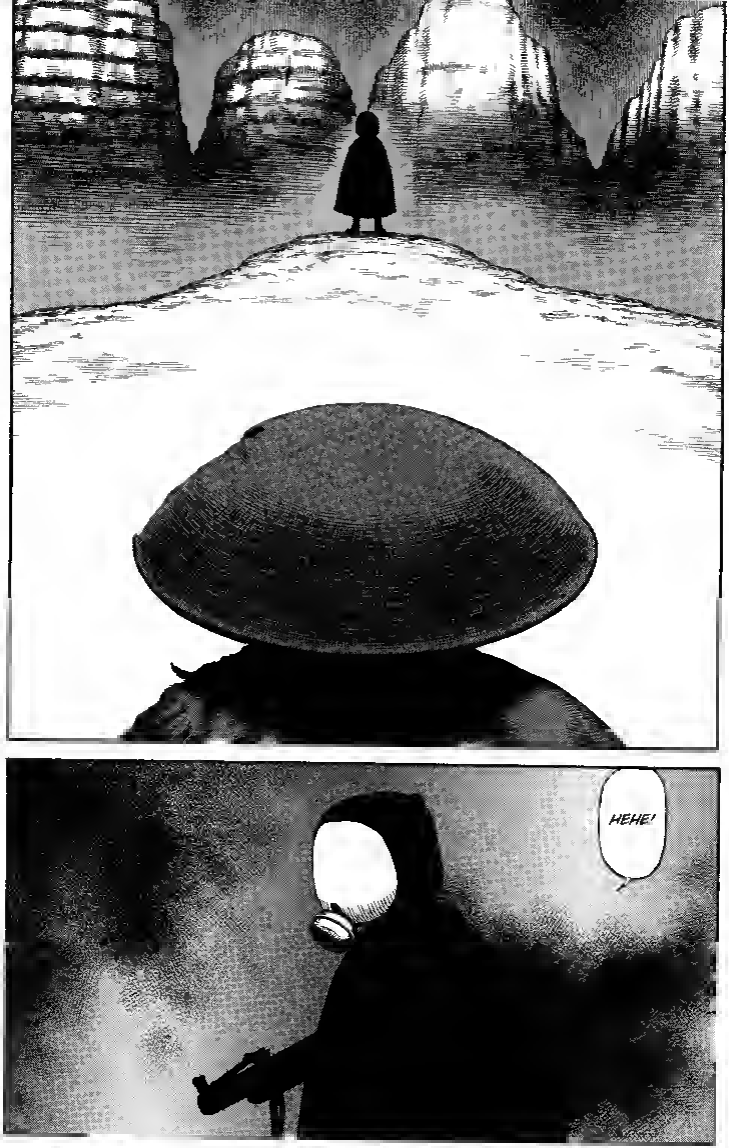
NO, IT CAN'T BE!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WHAT ?!
YES. AND I RAN RIGHT INTO IT.
BE CAREFUL! IT MUST BE A TRAP!

CAN SHE DO IT?
THIS TIME AGAIN, I AIM STRAIGHT FOR THE HEART.
OH, SHE WON'T MISS, BELIEVE ME.

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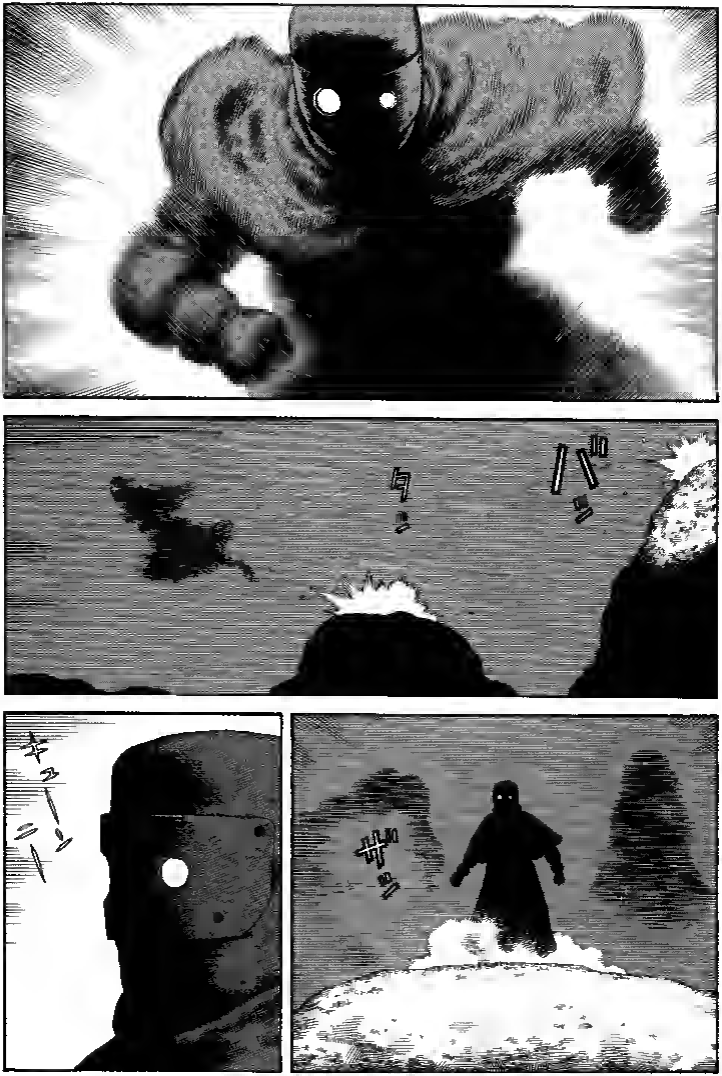
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PFF!

THEY'RE READY TO FIGHT, BUT...
ARE THEY REALLY CALLING THE SHOTS?

BUT THIS TIME, IT'S A QUESTION OF TIMING.
IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE INFORMER, I WAS OBLIGED TO SACRIFICE AN ARM.
WERE DO I DUCK
BY SAND-WICHING ME, THEY'RE IN EACH OTHER'S LINE OF SIGHT.
EH!
THEY WOULD SHOOT EACH OTHER.
Ok,!
PFF!
IN ANY CASE, IF THEY SHOOT EACH OTHER I WON'T BE ABLE TO FULFILL MY MISSION. I MUST GET THEM ALIVE
OR THEY'RE UP TO SOME-THING
EVEN AN AMATEUR WOULDN'T DO SUCH A MISTAKE

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HUH?!
SHE'S NOT AIMING AT ME?!
BUT..
NO, SHE CAN'T BE..!

SHIT!
DO IT!
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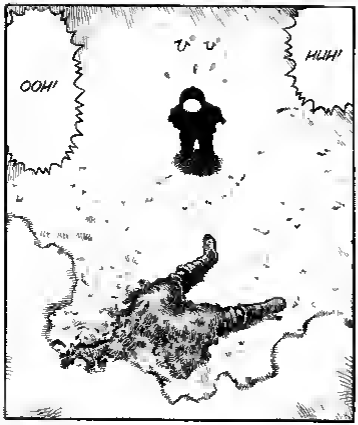
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HA HA HA HA HA
WE'VE HAD HIM!
HM...
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EH
EH
HA HA HA HA HA
WHEN YOU TOLD ME ABOUT IT, I FOUND IT COMPLETELY CRAZY. I THOUGHT YOU HAD LOST IT!
W-W-WICKED! YOUR PLAN WORKED!
HE'S STILL ALIVE!
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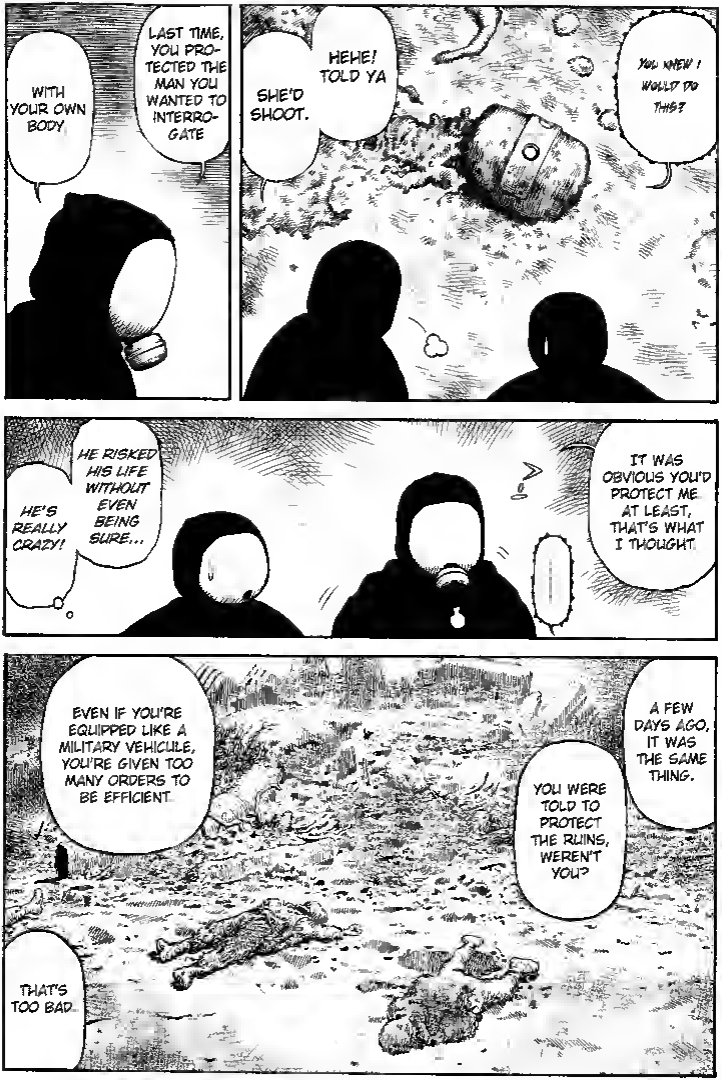
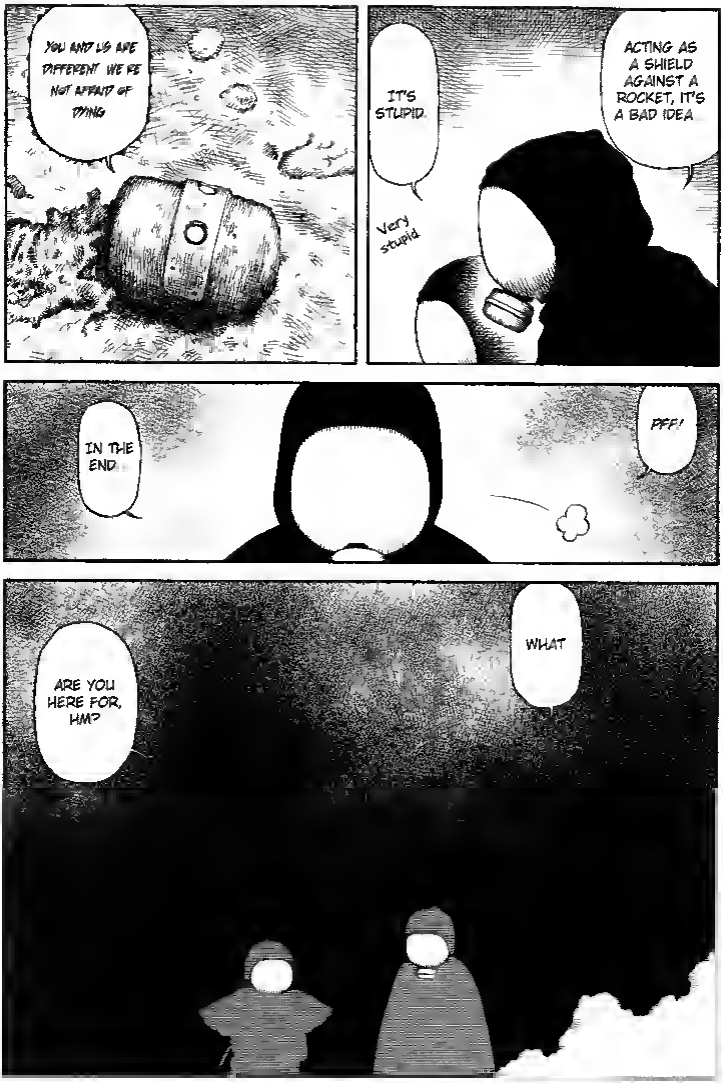
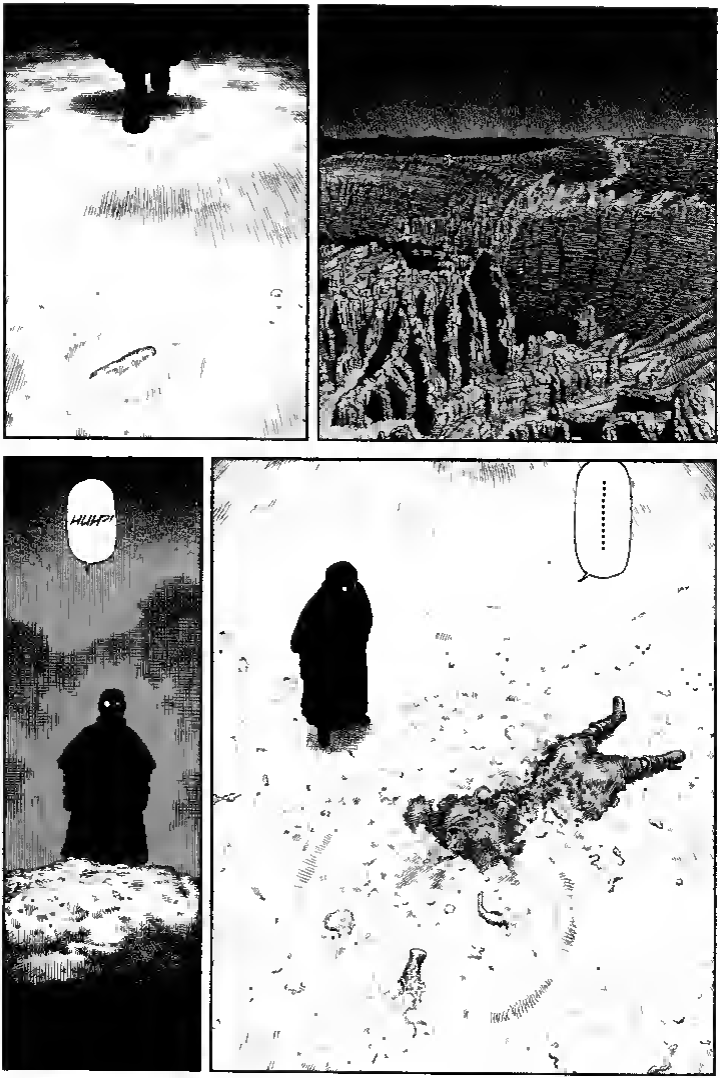
TH... THIS... CANNOT... BE...


LAST TIME, YOU PROTECTED THE MAN YOU WANTED TO INTERROGATE
WITH YOUR OWN BODY
HEHE! TOLD YA
SHE'D SHOOT.
YOU KNEW I WOULD DO THIS?
HE RISKED HIS LIFE WITHOUT EVEN BEING SURE...
HE'S REALLY CRAZY!
IT WAS OBVIOUS YOU'D PROTECT ME. AT LEAST, THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.
EVEN IF YOU'RE EQUIPPED LIKE A MILITARY VEHICLE, YOU'RE GIVEN TOO MANY ORDERS TO BE EFFICIENT.
A FEW DAYS AGO, IT WAS THE SAME THING.
YOU WERE TOLD TO PROTECT THE RUINS, WEREN'T YOU?
THAT'S TOO BAD.


YOU AND US ARE DIFFERENT. WE'RE NOT AFRAID OF DYING
ACTING AS A SHIELD AGAINST A ROCKET, IT'S A BAD IDEA
IT'S STUPID.
Very stupid
PFF!
IN THE END
WHAT
ARE YOU HERE FOR, HM?


HUH?!
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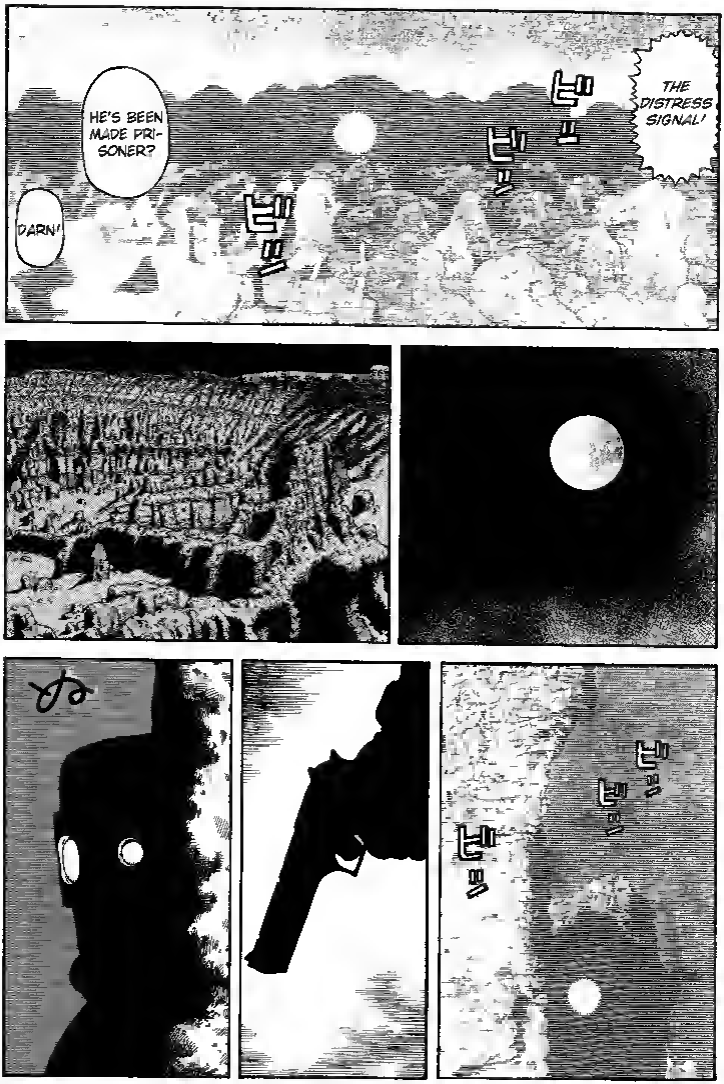
THE DISTRESS SIGNAL!
HE'S BEEN MADE PRISONER?
DARN!

TOO LATE.
AH...

YOU'RE IN BAD SHAPE!
EH...
YEAH. THEY GOT ME.
I THOUGHT THEY WERE KEEPING AN EYE ON YOU.
WHERE DID THEY GO? I'VE CHECKED ALL AROUND THE AREA, BUT DIDN'T SEE ANYBODY
HE DIDN'T DESTROY YOU COMPLETELY.
THEY USED ME AS BAIT TO LURE YOU OUT.
HMMM, HE'S EMITTING STRANGE RADIO WAVES...
HA, I KNEW IT!
THEY LEFT ME HERE WHEN THEY NOTICED THE DISTRESS SIGNAL.

RAH ...
THEY TRICKED US.
AH.... AND HERE I WAS THINKING THEY'D BE ON THE LOOKOUT. I TOOK TOO MUCH TIME
RIGHT NOW, THEY MUST HAVE LEFT THE GHOST TOWN TO GET TO THE CITY.
AND DON'T LOOK BACK!
RUN!
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WE'VE FAILED YET AGAIN.
LET'S GIVE UP ON THIS
SHIT!
I KNOW.
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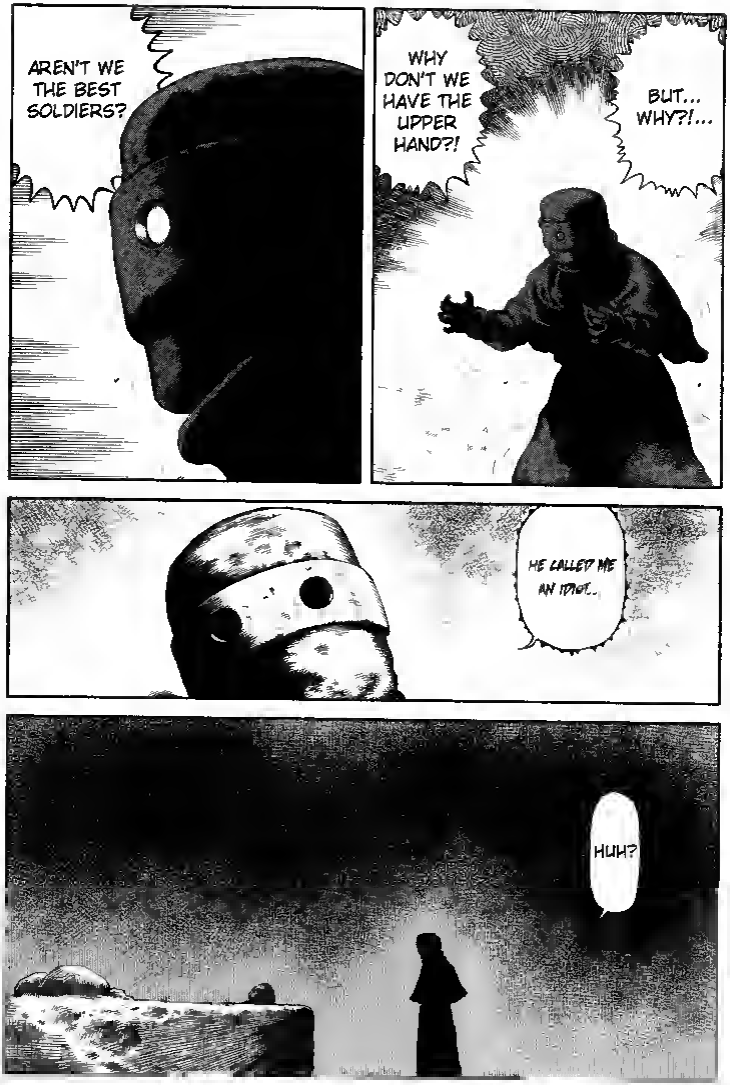
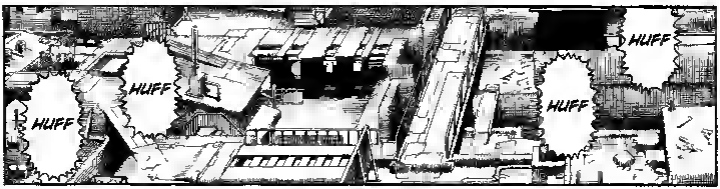
FOR THE MOMENT THE PRIORITY IS TO GET ME FIXED


AREN'T WE THE BEST SOLDIERS?
WHY DON'T WE HAVE THE UPPER HAND?!
BUT... WHY?!...
HE CALLED ME AN IDIOT...
HUH?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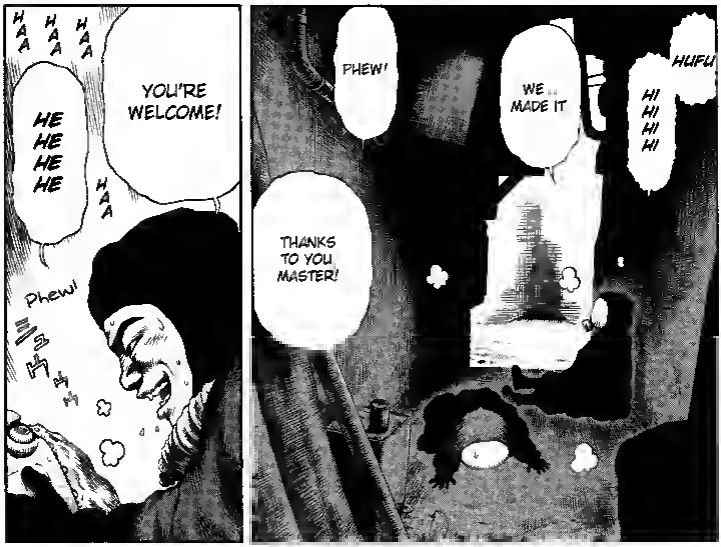
HAA HAA HAA
YOU'RE WELCOME!
HE HE HE HE
HAA
PHEW!
PHEW!
WE... MADE IT
HUFU
HI HI HI HI
THANKS TO YOU MASTER!

IT'S ALL TACTICAL, RIGHT?
THEY HELP THE PEOPLE FROM THE CITY, THEY SAVE SOME CHILDREN FROM A FIRE
REALLY... THEIR BEHAVIOUR IS QUITE STRANGE
TACTICAL...
WITH SUCH OPPONENTS, ONE LIFE WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH
I'M BEAT...
STOP SAYING THIS KINDA STUFF, IT'S MAKING ME SICK
OUR DUTY IS TO BUILD A WORLD WHERE PEOPLE CAN LIVE IN PEACE.
WE'RE BORN TO HELP ONE ANOTHER
IT'S NORMAL TO HELP PEOPLE IN DISTRESS.
NO, THAT'S HOW IT IS
Some parts of Ayakuma are in the bag
HM?
IT'S AS IF MASARU KAIDO WAS SPEAKING..
HE HE HE

THIS IS WHAT I WANTED.
HUH?
PART FROM THAT ROBOT, YES!
It's not emitting any radio waves
HE
HE
HE
HE
HE
OH! BUT IT'S...
Behind my back!
OW!

HE TOLD ME TO BRING HIM ONE OF THOSE IMMORTAL ROBOTS BACK TO STUDY IT. HE MADE A SCENE TO HAVE ONE
KAIZUKA'S RESEARCH ON ROBOTS IS GETTING NOWHERE

YES. IT PROVES THAT IT'S ULTRA CONFIDENTIAL
YOU'VE HEARD THAT THEY DIDN'T FIND ANY PARTS OF THOSE ROBOTS IN THE RUINS
THE WHOLE SITE HAS BEEN COMBED.
I'M SURE HE'LL BE PLEASED.
I ONLY HAVE THE ONE PART, BUT...
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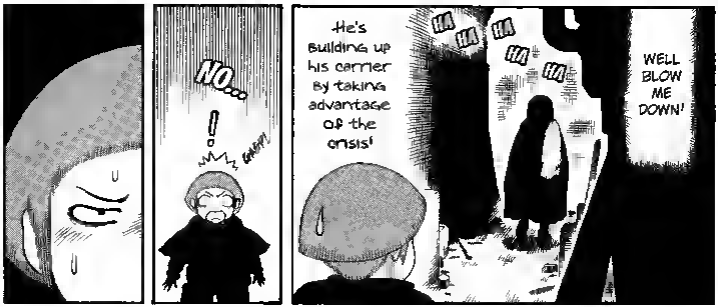
IN ANY CASE, I NOW POSSESS AN ULTRA SECRET ELEMENT FROM THE ENEMY THAT NOBODY HAD EVER MANAGED TO GET THEIR HANDS ON.
HE HE HE HE
BUT THEN, KAMEIDO TOLD ME THAT WE SHOULD'VE BROUGHT BACK SOME PART, EVEN A SMALL ONE
IN THIS CASE, IT'S A HUGE FEAT!
NO WAY!
I STILL CARRY THIS STAIN ON MY RECORD.
EVEN IF MY LAST FAILURE HAS BEEN REPAIRED



PURPOSE-FULLY?

WHAT IF HE CAME TO MY RESCUE...

A THOUGHT CROSSED MY MIND.

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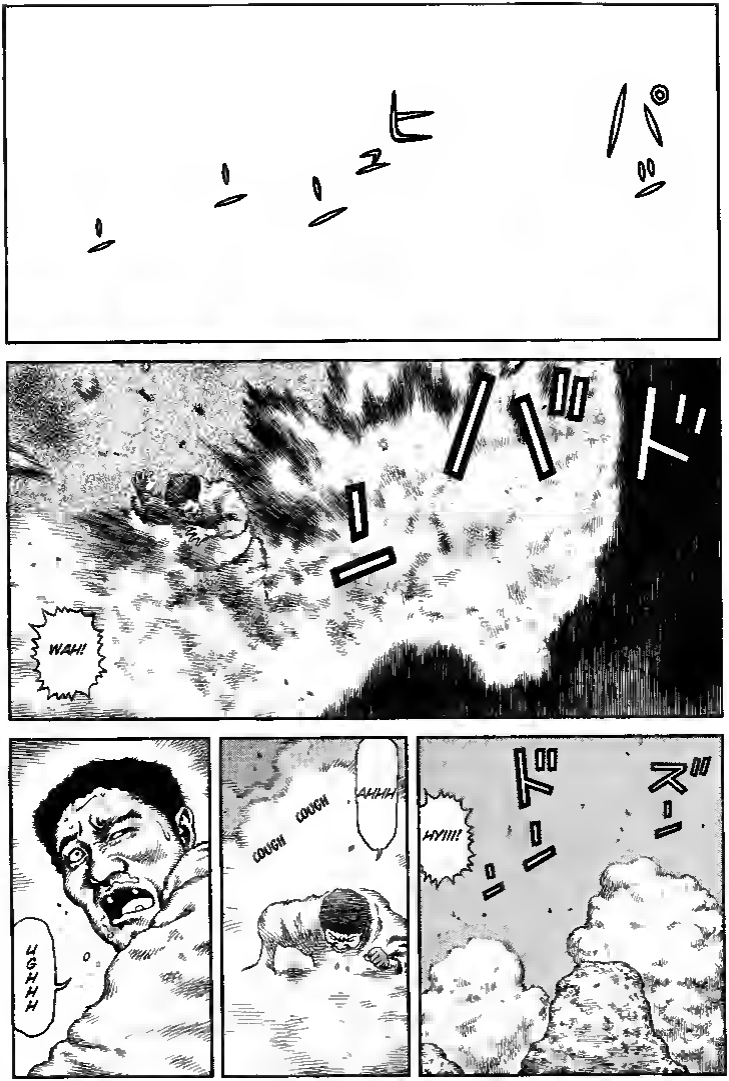
WAH!
HYIIII!
AHHH
COUGH COUGH
UGHHH

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HEHE!

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SHIT!
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FUCK! HE'S TOYING WITH ME!
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Argh!
Waaaah

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PFF!
THOSE ARE RUBBER BULLETS
YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL, THEY COST ME MORE THAN YOUR DAILY SALARY
Uch
HONESTLY, IT'S STUPID TO USE SUCH AMMUNITIONS FOR A SLAVE ON THE RUN.
YOU MUST PUT IN YOUR HEAD ONCE AND FOR ALL, THAT...

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...I HAVE A NAME
SO I DIDN'T WANT TO KILL HIM
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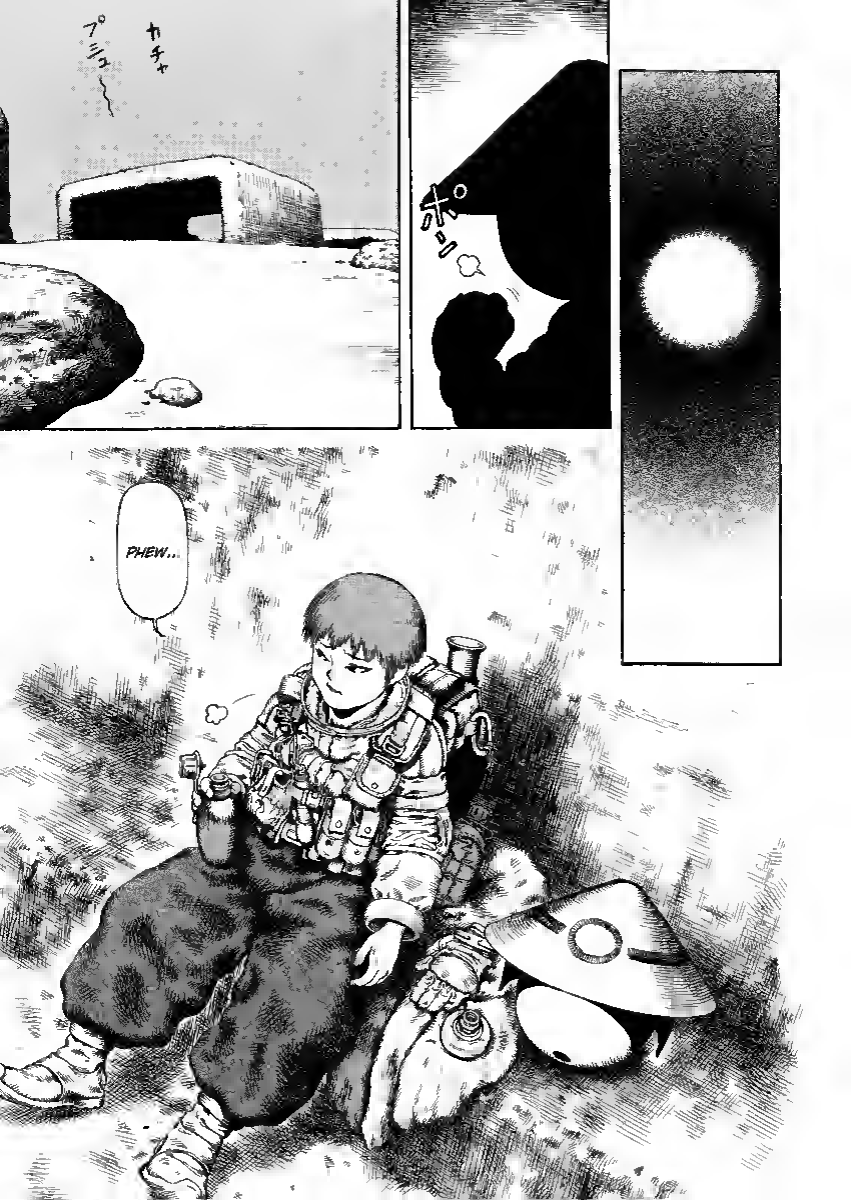
I... I WAS TOLD TO BRING HIM BACK ALIVE
S-SORRY
AH... ER...
ビ!!
WHAT WERE YOU DOING, UH?
LET'S TIE HIM UP AND LEAVE.
RAH
YES, YES!
FORGIVE ME!
BOOHOO... I'M SO SORRY!
Moron!
Idiot!
HIH
You suck!
YOU DIDN'T MOVE BECAUSE YOU WERE SCARED SHITLESS!
YOU LIAR!
Don't try to justify yourself!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PHEW...

THINGS WOULD TURN OUT THIS WAY...
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT
I DO FINE ON MY OWN, BUT
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I REALIZE THAT IT WAS EASY FOR ME
SO I WAS BOTH DISSATISFIED AND SAD, BUT
UP UNTIL NOW, YOU ASKED ME ONLY TO FOLLOW YOUR INSTRUCTIONS, AND THAT WAS ALL.
-TEN DAYS EARLIER -
NOW, IF I FAIL, IT'S ALL ON ME

KOIZUMI TAIKO, YOUR TRAINING IS NOW OVER!
CONGRATULATIONS!
FROM NOW ON, YOU'RE A MERCENARY ON YOUR OWN RIGHT!
Long live the Independance

YOUR INDEPENDANCE DOESN'T MEAN YOU'RE NO LONGER AN ACTIVIST.
NOW, LET'S TALK ABOUT OUR SECRET ELECTORAL ACTIVITIES
RIGHT, THAT'S YOUR FRONT AS A HANDY-MAN.
YAAY!
YAAY!
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YOU'RE A FINE CONSPIRATOR OF THE ANTI-GOVERNMENT FACTION AFTER ALL.
WHAAAT?!
I EXPECT FROM YOU BEFITTING ACTIONS OF THE NAME SUNABOUZU, WHOSE FAME RESOUNDS IN THE DESERT.
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EEEH?!
FROM NOW ON YOU'LL TAKE UP THE NAME SUNABOUZU AND YOU WILL DO YOUR JOB AS SUNABOUZU.

HEY!
OH, ONE LAST THING...
I'M BE-CO-MING HIS STRAW MAN!
WHILE YOU STRUGGLE ON YOUR OWN, I'LL DO MY THING BEHIND THE SCENE.
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FROM NOW ON, MITSURU IS YOUR APPRENTICE.
AT YOUR SERVICE!

ON THE OTHER HAND, HE'S OK TO BE YOURS.
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT HE DOESN'T WANT TO BE MY STUDENT.
WHAAAT?!
Ah... you're so made for each other!
I THINK HE LIKES YOU.
RHAAA...
SICK!
YOU KNOW THAT!
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BUT... BUT...
W... WAIT!
THAT'S NOT... I RES-PECT HER!
HE'S...
I appreciate how she carries her job while being under your orders!)

AND IF YOU MISBEHAVE, I'LL BEAT YOU UP!
WELL, CHEER UP!
HAHAHA! YOU'RE SO LUCKY, MITSURU!
Don't touch me!
I get it.
YOU'LL BENEFIT FROM HIS UNBELIEVABLE STRENGTH
TRY TO TAME HIM. IF YOU MANAGE TO CONTROL HIM,
I didn't know what to do with the weapon Natsuko gave me since it had been damaged in the action
Woah, thank you so much
Don't worry, I won't give you hard jobs
HERE, TO CELEBRATE YOUR INDEPENDANCE.
THERE'S NO MORE WATER
EXCUSE ME
AH... ER ..

I GAVE HIM THE FLASK
HE WAS COMPLAINING OF BEING THIRSTY
IT'S... BECAUSE OF THE SLAVE...
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TSK...
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カチャ カチャ
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OBVIOUSLY...
AND HE DRANK IT ALL...
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WE'LL BE IN THE CITY IN THREE HOURS. HANG IN THERE UNTIL THEN.
OH WELL, IT'S NOT THAT BAD...
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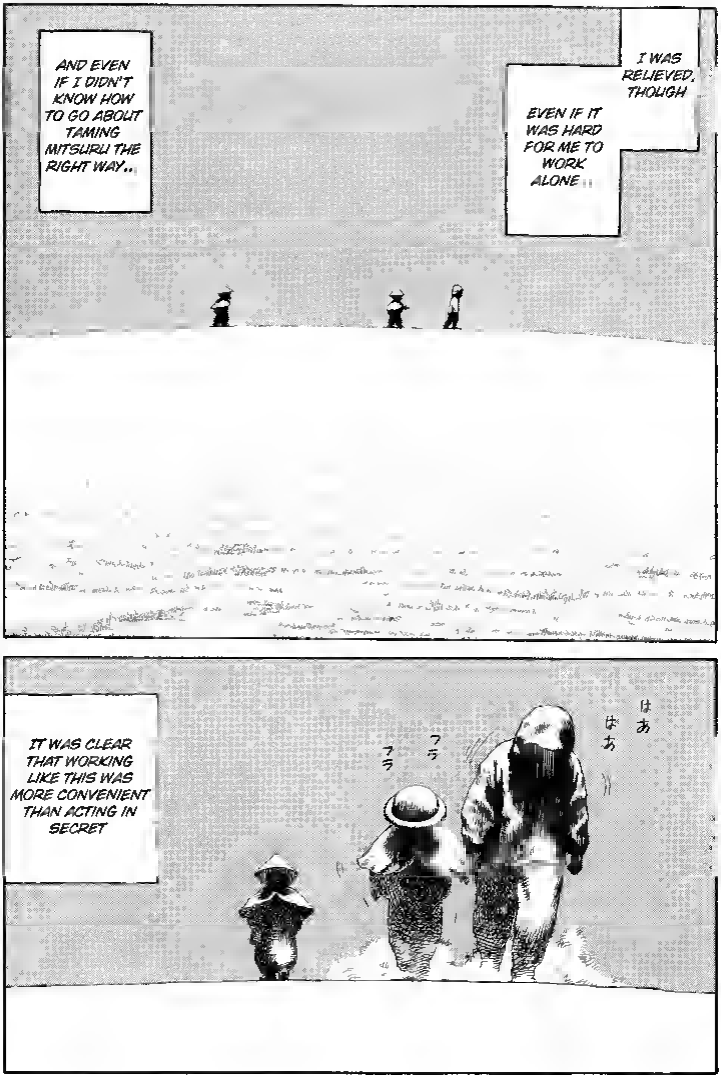
AND EVEN IF I DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO GO ABOUT TAMING MITSURU THE RIGHT WAY..
EVEN IF IT WAS HARD FOR ME TO WORK ALONE..
I WAS RELIEVED, THOUGH
IT WAS CLEAR THAT WORKING LIKE THIS WAS MORE CONVENIENT THAN ACTING IN SECRET
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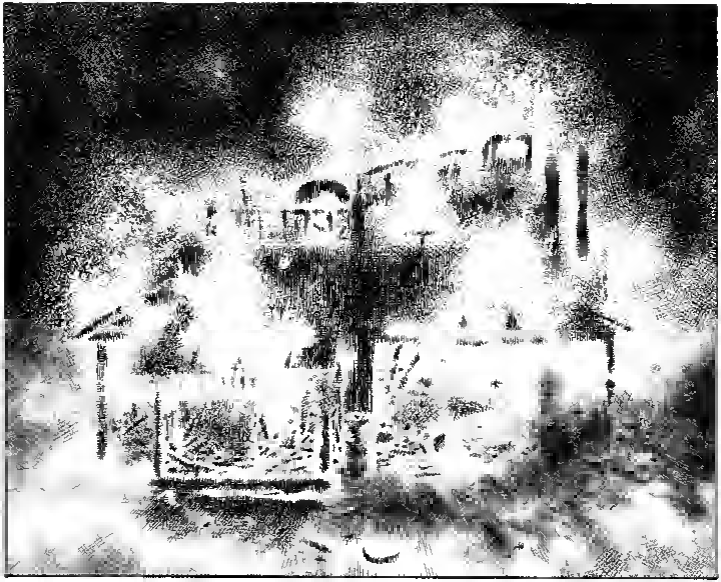
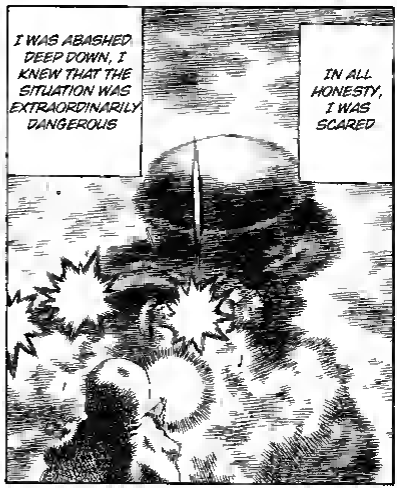
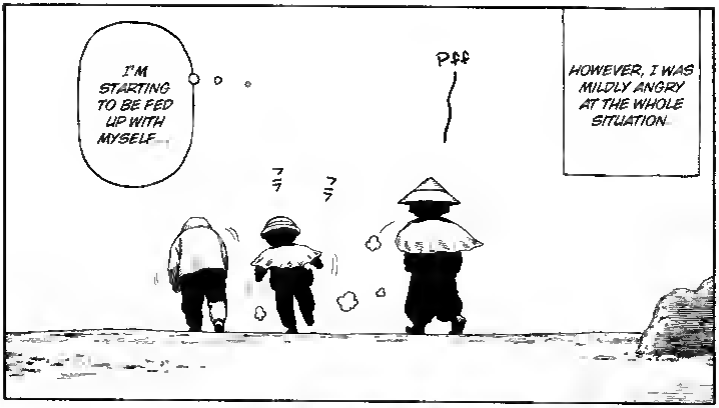


BUT AT THE SAME TIME, I WAS BECOMING AWARE THAT I WAS JUST AN IGNORANT BRAT.
BEING WARY OF NATSUKO AND SUNABOZU, I WAS ALMOST ACTING AGAINST THEM...


I WAS ABASHED. DEEP DOWN, I KNEW THAT THE SITUATION WAS EXTRAORDINARILY DANGEROUS
IN ALL HONESTY, I WAS SCARED


I'M STARTING TO BE FED UP WITH MYSELF...
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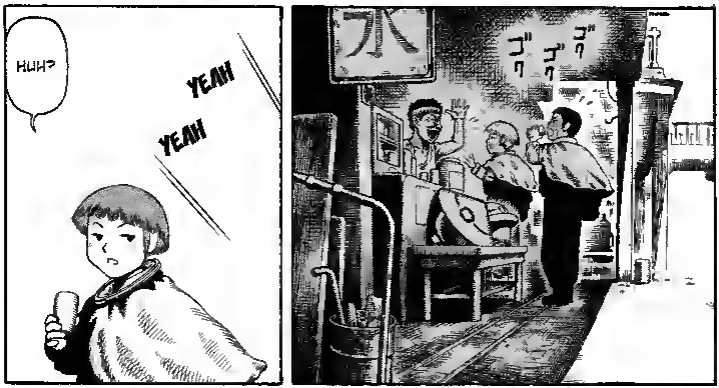
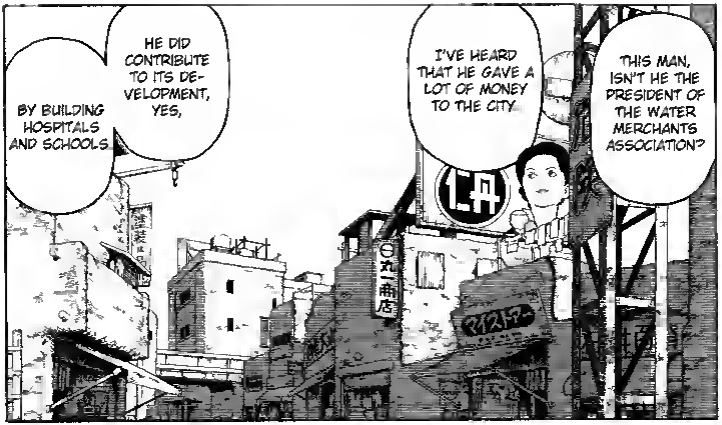
HOWEVER, I WAS MILDLY ANGRY AT THE WHOLE SITUATION...

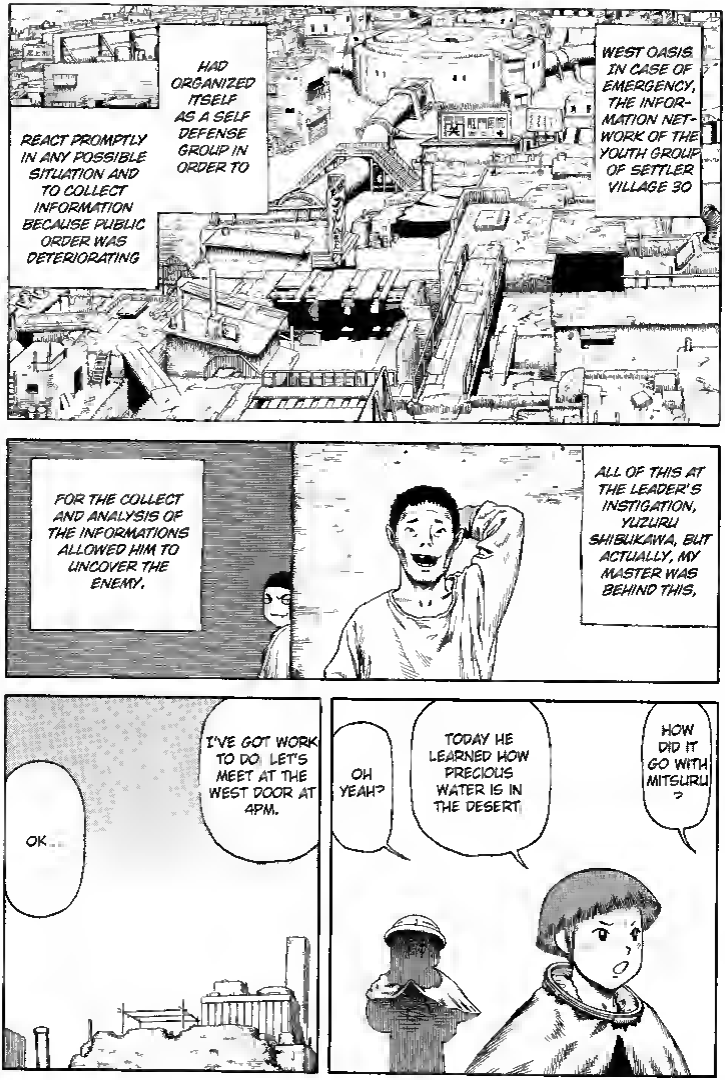

HUH?
YEAH
YEAH

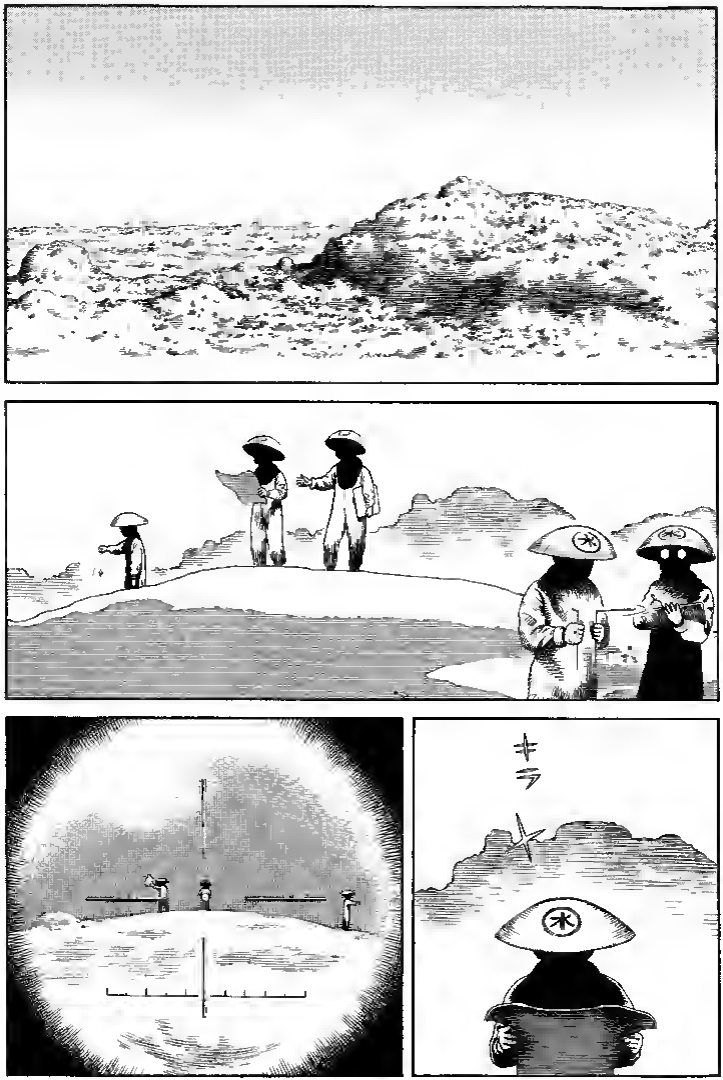
AH, YOU KNOW...
HAHAHA!
HURRAY!
YEAH
YEAH
HURRAY!
IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, TAMAMI.
NO IT'S THANKS TO THE YOUTH GROUP, THEY SPARED NO EFFORT!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
ER...
MY INFORMATION NETWORK IS FINALLY BECOMING EFFICIENT
HUH?
HI!
OH!
MASTER!
YEAH!
YEAH!


THIS MAN, ISN'T HE THE PRESIDENT OF THE WATER MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION?
I'VE HEARD THAT HE GAVE A LOT OF MONEY TO THE CITY.
HE DID CONTRIBUTE TO ITS DEVELOPMENT, YES,
BY BUILDING HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS.
LA
丸一商店

HE'S WITH OOTAKI'S CLAN.
HUH?!

HE WORKS HAND IN HAND WITH THE WEALTHY CLASS THAT SUPPORTS OOTAKI.
HE SEEMS TO BE SPENDING ALL OF HIS MONEY FOR THE CITY.
DID YOU GET ALL THESE INFORMATIONS THROUGH YOUR NETWORK?
IT REQUIRES A LOT OF INGENUITY


WEST OASIS IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, THE INFORMATION NETWORK OF THE YOUTH GROUP OF SETTLER VILLAGE 30
HAD ORGANIZED ITSELF AS A SELF DEFENSE GROUP IN ORDER TO
REACT PROMPTLY IN ANY POSSIBLE SITUATION AND TO COLLECT INFORMATION BECAUSE PUBLIC ORDER WAS DETERIORATING
ALL OF THIS AT THE LEADER'S INSTIGATION, YUZURU SHIBUKAWA, BUT ACTUALLY, MY MASTER WAS BEHIND THIS,
FOR THE COLLECT AND ANALYSIS OF THE INFORMATIONS ALLOWED HIM TO UNCOVER THE ENEMY.
I'VE GOT WORK TO DO. LET'S MEET AT THE WEST DOOR AT 4PM.
OK...
OH YEAH?
TODAY HE LEARNED HOW PRECIOUS WATER IS IN THE DESERT
HOW DID IT GO WITH MITSURU?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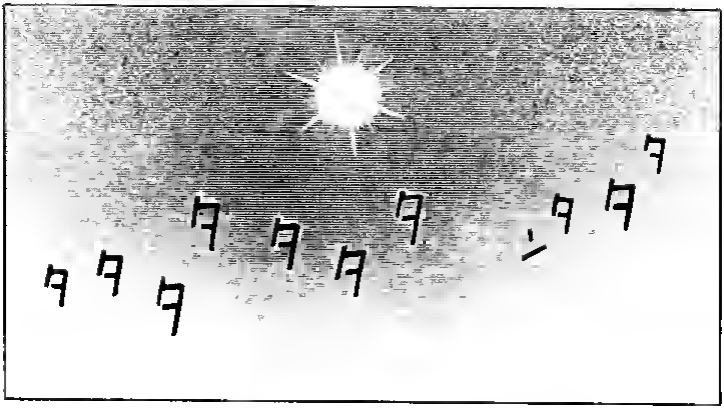

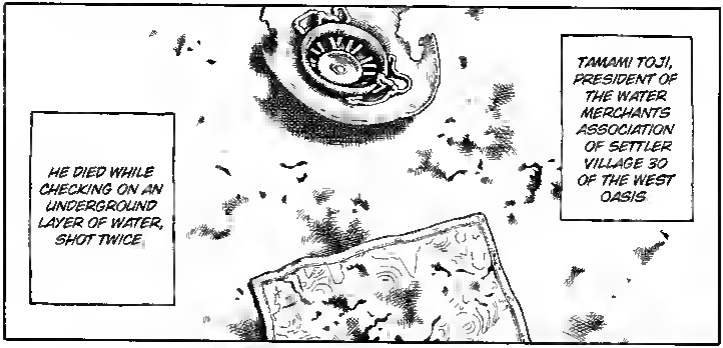
HE DIED WHILE CHECKING ON AN UNDERGROUND LAYER OF WATER, SHOT TWICE.
TAMAMI TOJI, PRESIDENT OF THE WATER MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION OF SETTLER VILLAGE 30 OF THE WEST OASIS

MEANWHILE, IN ANOTHER VILLAGE, 10KM FROM THERE

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モクモクモクモク
WHAAAA!
GHIAAA... WHAT'S GOING ON?!
YUCK, IT'S STINKING GAS!
OH, NOOOOO...
PLEASE FORGIVE ME!
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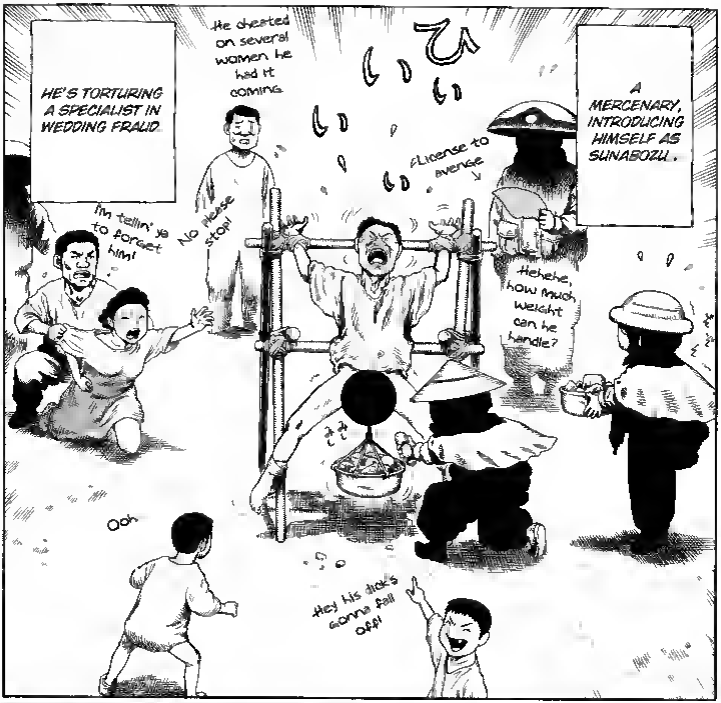
HE'S TORTURING A SPECIALIST IN WEDDING FRAUD.
He cheated on several women he had it coming.
A MERCENARY, INTRODUCING HIMSELF AS SUNABOZU.
License to avenge
I'm tellin' ya to forget him!
No please stop!
Hehehe, how much weight can he handle?
Ooh
Hey his dick's gonna fall off!

AT THE TIME OF HIS ARREST, HE WAS SHOT BECAUSE HE RESISTED.

HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION FIGHTING AGAINST TAMAMI, WHO IS FIRMLY OPPOSED TO THE RAISE OF WATER PRICES.

AFTER THAT, THANKS TO THE UNUSUAL EFFICIENCY OF THE POLICE, THE CULPRIT THAT HAD ATTACKED THE PRESIDENT OF THE WATER MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION WAS IDENTIFIED.

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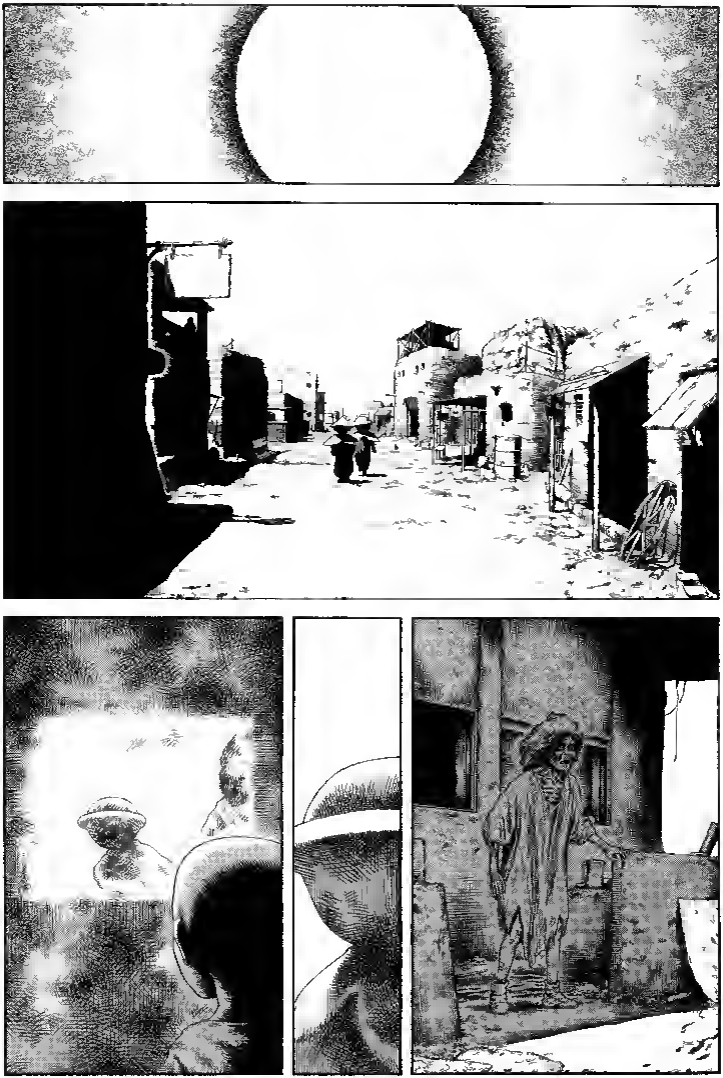

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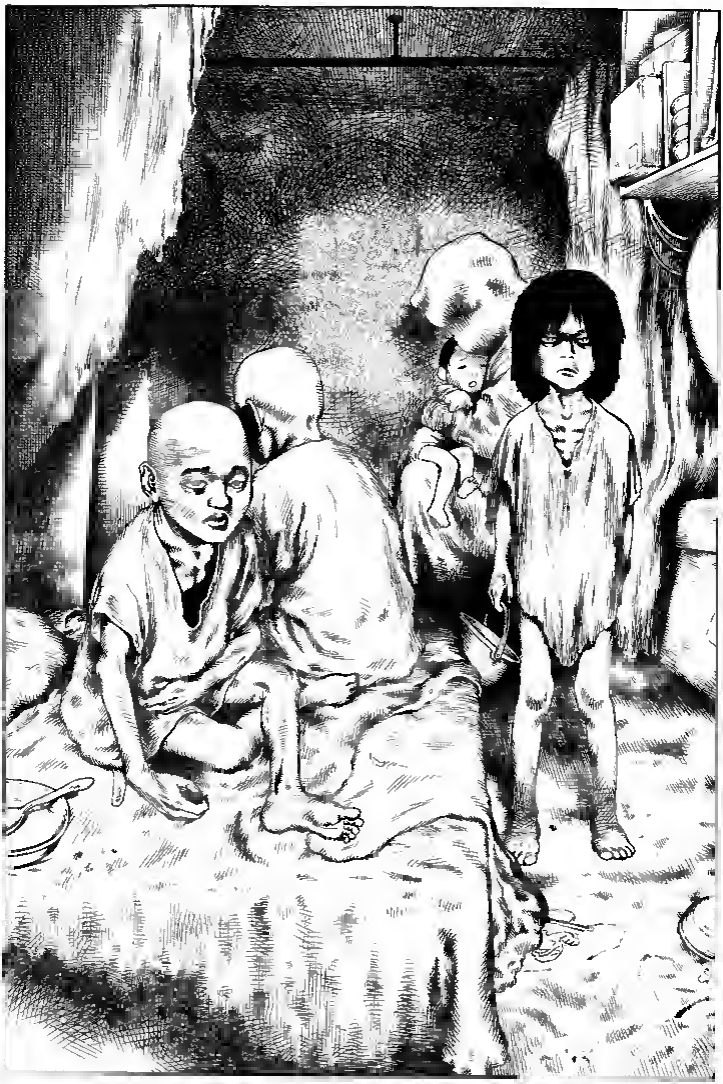

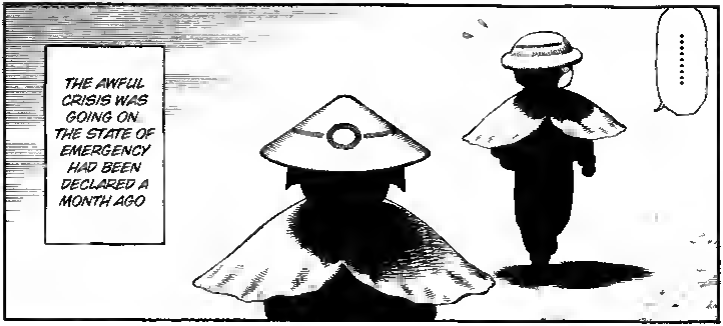
THE AWFUL CRISIS WAS GOING ON. THE STATE OF EMERGENCY HAD BEEN DECLARED A MONTH AGO
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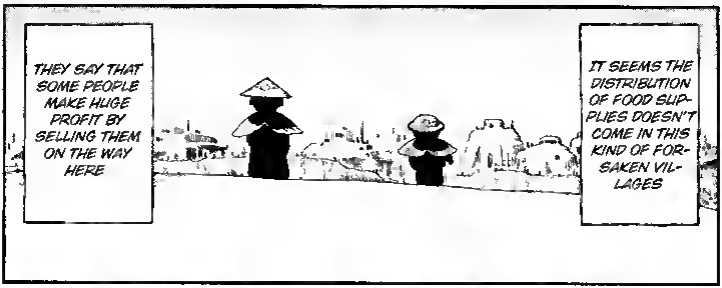
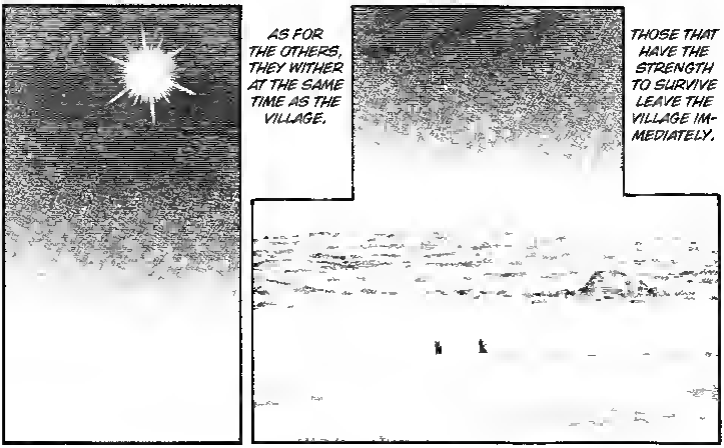
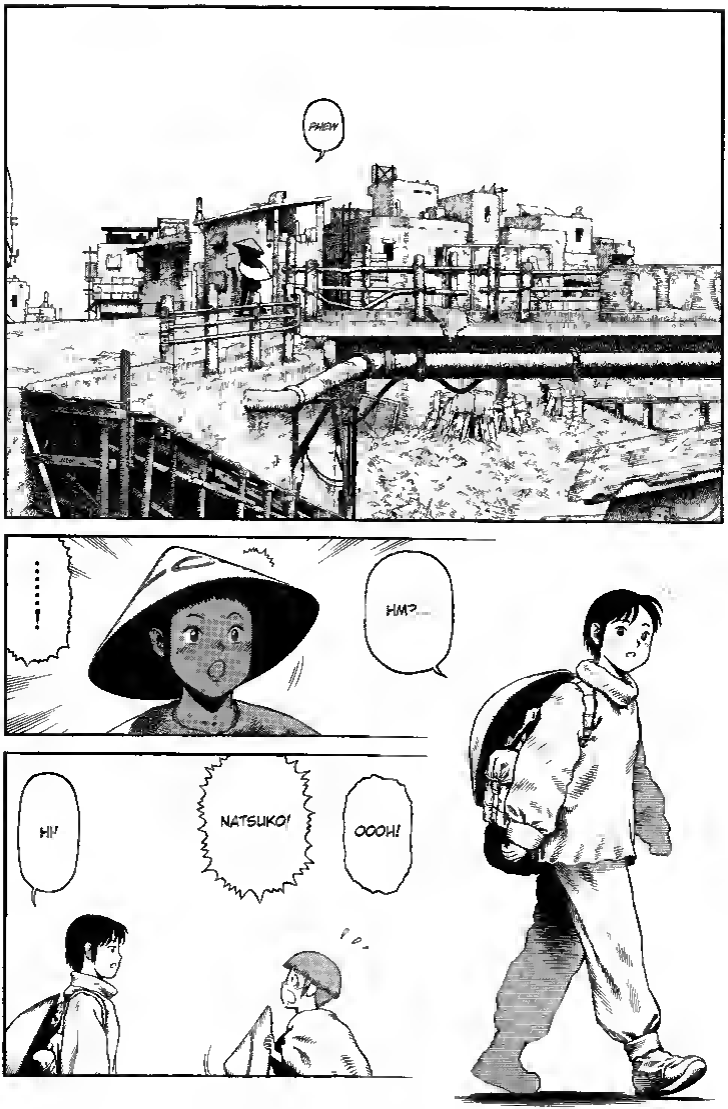
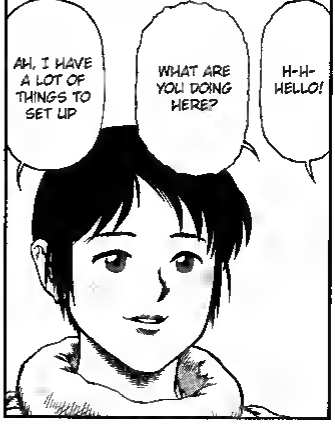
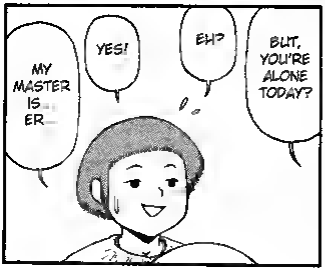

THEY SAY THAT SOME PEOPLE MAKE HUGE PROFIT BY SELLING THEM ON THE WAY HERE
IT SEEMS THE DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD SUPPLIES DOESN'T COME IN THIS KIND OF FORSAKEN VILLAGES

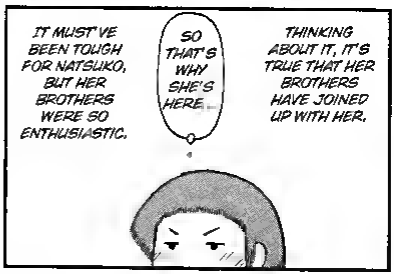

AS FOR THE OTHERS, THEY WITHER AT THE SAME TIME AS THE VILLAGE.
THOSE THAT HAVE THE STRENGTH TO SURVIVE LEAVE THE VILLAGE IMMEDIATELY.

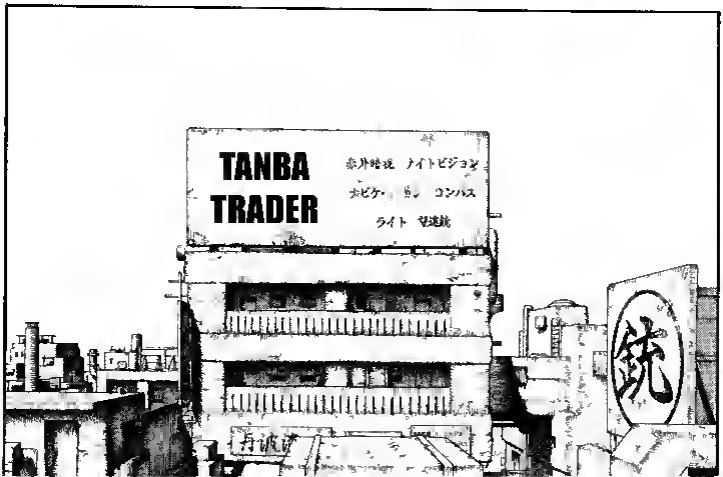

PHEW
HM?...
.....!
HI!
NATSUKO!
OOOH!

FOR A MILITARY OPERATION?!
ER... YEAH


AH, I HAVE A LOT OF THINGS TO SET UP
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
H-H-HELLO!


MY MASTER IS ER...
YES!
EH?
BUT, YOU'RE ALONE TODAY?


IT MUST'VE BEEN TOUGH FOR NATSUKO, BUT HER BROTHERS WERE SO ENTHUSIASTIC.
SO THAT'S WHY SHE'S HERE...
THINKING ABOUT IT, IT'S TRUE THAT HER BROTHERS HAVE JOINED UP WITH HER.


TANBA TRADER
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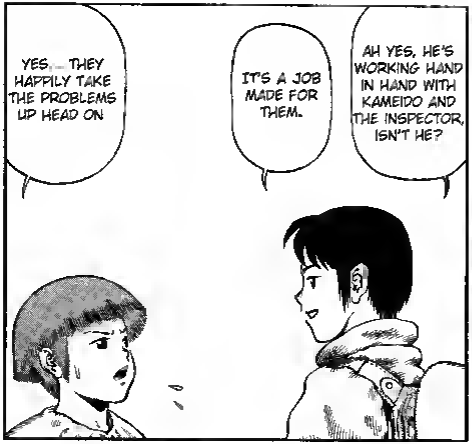
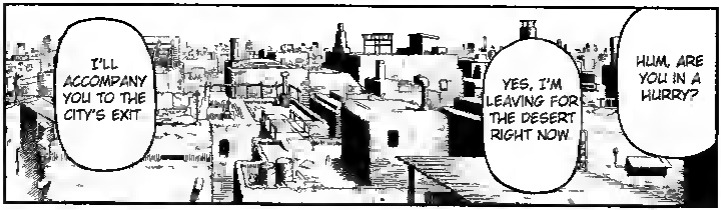
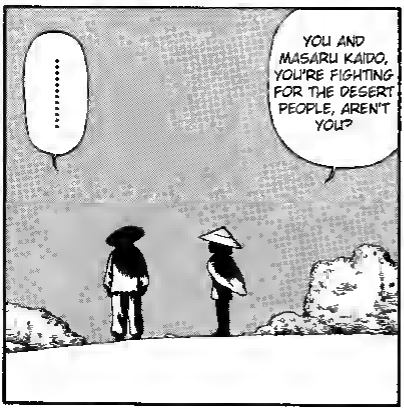
TANBA TRADER
IT'S ON FIRE!
THERE WAS AN EXPLO-SION!
TANBA TRADER
IT'S TANBA'S PLACE!
EH! WHAT'S GOING ON?!
HURRY!
CALL A DOC-TOR!
THE OWNER
BUT


YES... THEY HAPPILY TAKE THE PROBLEMS UP HEAD ON
IT'S A JOB MADE FOR THEM.
AH YES, HE'S WORKING HAND IN HAND WITH KAMEIDO AND THE INSPECTOR, ISN'T HE?

WELL, HE'S TAKING CARE OF THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN...
AT THE MOMENT, MY MASTER IS A TERRO...


I'LL ACCOMPANY YOU TO THE CITY'S EXIT
YES, I'M LEAVING FOR THE DESERT RIGHT NOW
HUM, ARE YOU IN A HURRY?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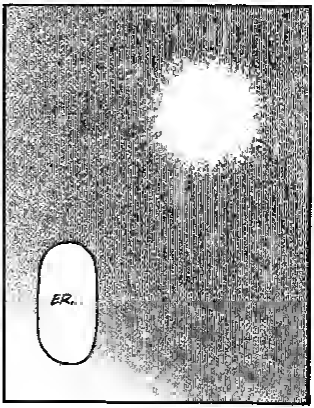
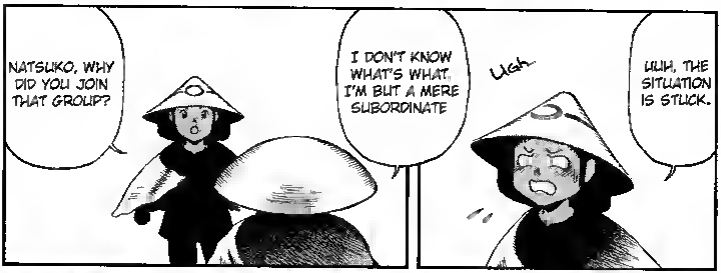
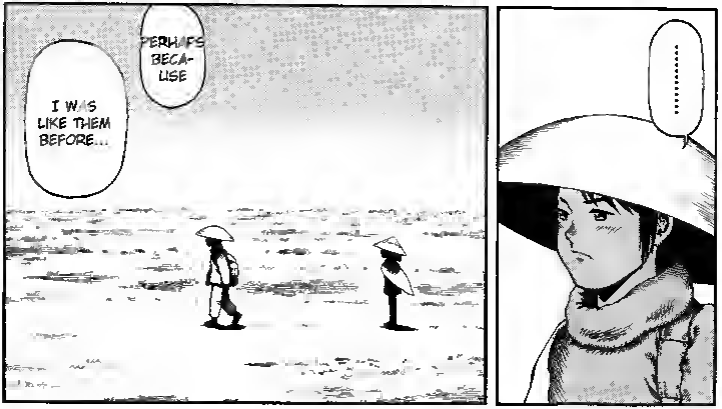
YOU AND MASARU KAIDO, YOU'RE FIGHTING FOR THE DESERT PEOPLE, AREN'T YOU?


ER...

SEEM FOR THE MOST PART TO PUT A LOT INTO THEIR CITY.
SUPPORTING THE OPPOSING PARTY, WHICH IS THE TARGET OF MY MASTER
INDEED
THE CALL TO ACTION IS TO BUILD A WORLD WHERE PEOPLE CAN LIVE IN PEACE TODAY, EVEN THOSE
HE SAYS EXACTLY THE SAME THING
THE OTHER DAY, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO AN ADVERSARY
ERR... YES...
YOU SEEM SURPRISED
ARE THINKING OF SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVE THE CURRENT SOCIETY.
EVERYDAY, THE OASIS INHABITANTS, FROM THE UPPER CLASS IN PARTICULAR
.....
Bureaucrats.
I DON'T KNOW
EVERYONE STICKS TO HIS GUNS.
NOT DOUBT ABOUT IT, IT'S THE WAR FOR PRIVILIGES.
IT'S STRANGE THEY'RE FIGHTING EACH OTHER EVEN THOUGH THEIR GOAL IS THE SAME

EACH THINKS THAT HE'S RIGHT AND THAT THE WAY OF THE OTHER IS UNACCEPTABLE
THAT'S WHY MEDIATION IS IMPOSSIBLE


NATSUKO, WHY DID YOU JOIN THAT GROUP?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WHAT. I'M BUT A MERE SUBORDINATE
Ugh
UUH, THE SITUATION IS STUCK.


I WAS LIKE THEM BEFORE...
PERHAPS BECAUSE
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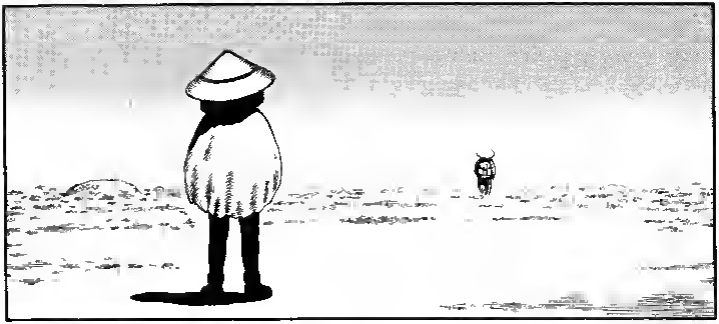
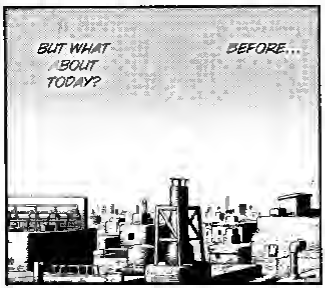
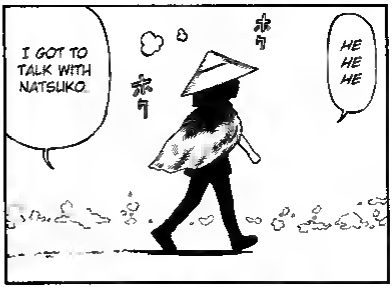



BUT WHAT ABOUT TODAY?
BEFORE...


I GOT TO TALK WITH NATSUKO.
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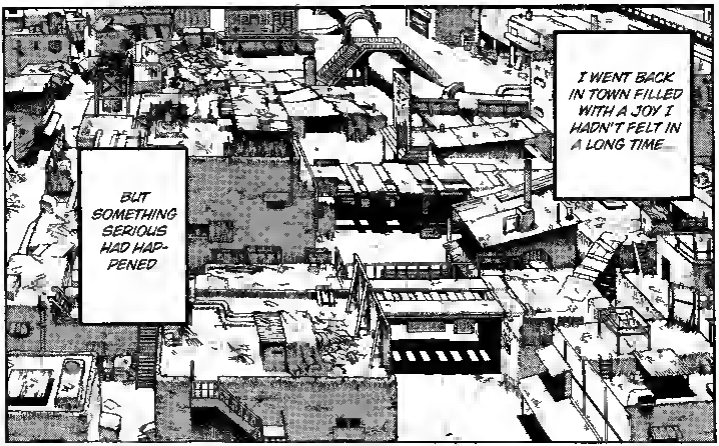
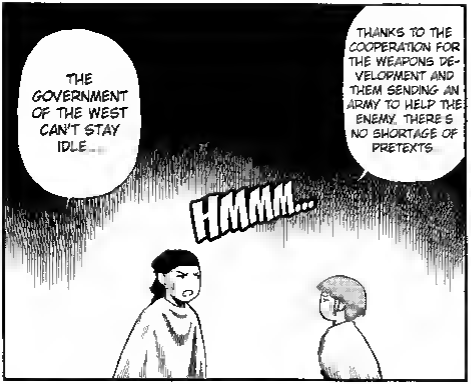
HE HE HE


BUT SOMETHING SERIOUS HAD HAPPENED
I WENT BACK IN TOWN FILLED WITH A JOY I HADN'T FELT IN A LONG TIME...

Sniff
Ugh
Huff
Laura
THE ELECTION
HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO AN UNDEFINED DATE
.....
HUHH
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN OVERTHROWN
THERE'S BEEN A COUP AT THE SOUTH OASIS...
N.. NO WAY!
Eh?! But why?!
COME ON, YOU KNOW THAT THEY WERE COOPERATING WITH THE SOUTH FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CLASSIFIED WEAPONS
WHAT DOES IT HAVE TO DO WITH THE WEST OASIS ELECTIONS?
A... A COUP?!
THE ELECTION ISN'T ON THE AGENDA ANYMORE.
A DEMARCATION LINE SUDDENLY APPEARED. IT'S NOT GOOD...
RAH...
IT WASN'T NECESSARY
AND ON TOP OF THAT, THEY LOST.
IN SECRET, OF COURSE THAT'S WHY THE WEST ARMY WENT TO HELP THEM


THE GOVERNMENT OF THE WEST CAN'T STAY IDLE...
THANKS TO THE COOPERATION FOR THE WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT AND THEM SENDING AN ARMY TO HELP THE ENEMY, THERE'S NO SHORTAGE OF PRETEXTS
HMMM...

PERHAPS... THERE WILL BE WAR

IF THE SHIT HITS THE FAN, IT'S ALL FOR NOTHING
WE'VE PUT OUR ASS ON THE LINE ON COUNTLESS OCCASIONS...
BUT THEN, ALL THE HARD WORK WE DID UP TO NOW...

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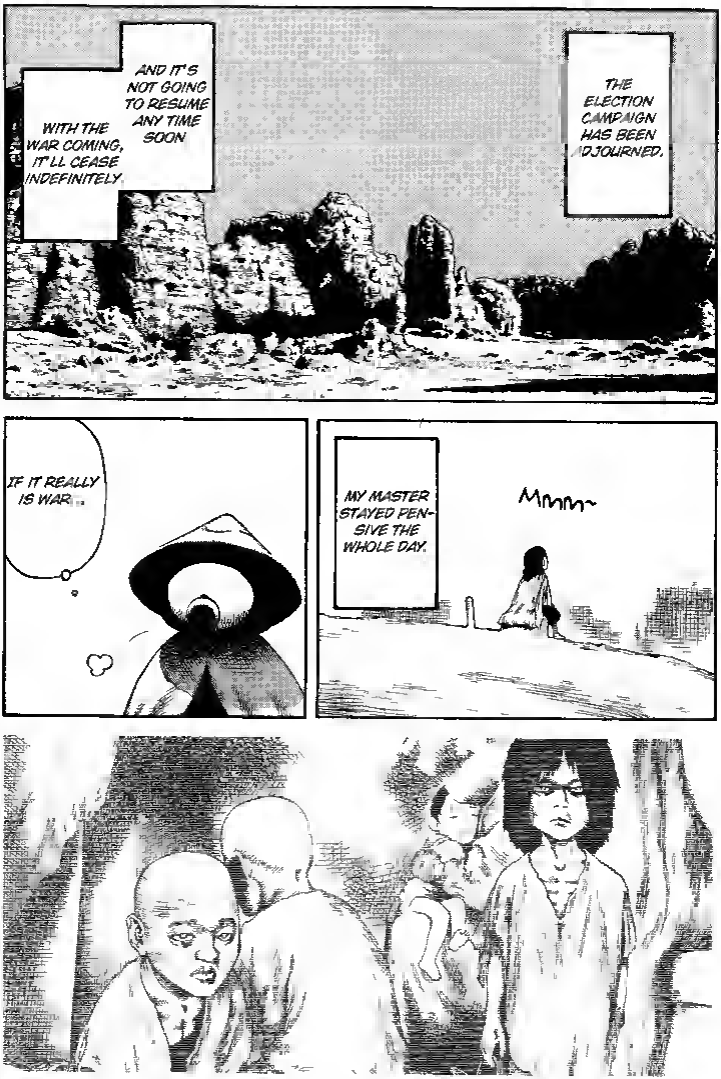
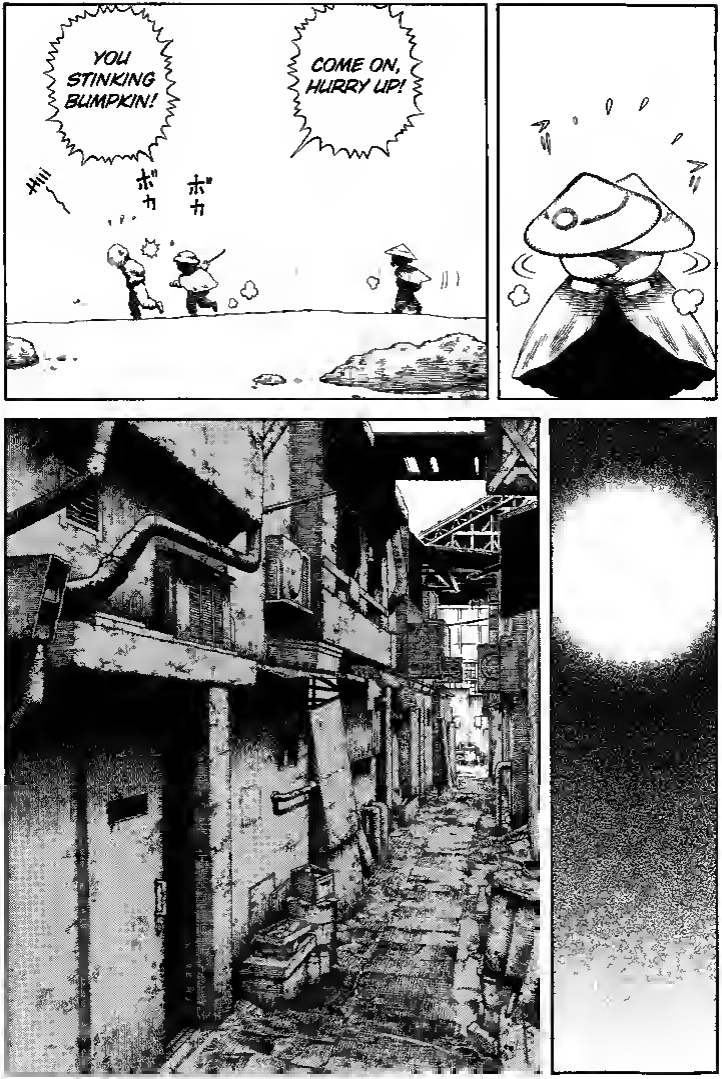
Mmm~


THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN ADJOURNED.
AND IT'S NOT GOING TO RESUME ANY TIME SOON
WITH THE WAR COMING, IT'LL CEASE INDEFINITELY.
IF IT REALLY IS WAR...
MY MASTER STAYED PENSIVE THE WHOLE DAY.
Mmm~


YOU STINKING BUMPKIN!
COME ON, HURRY UP!
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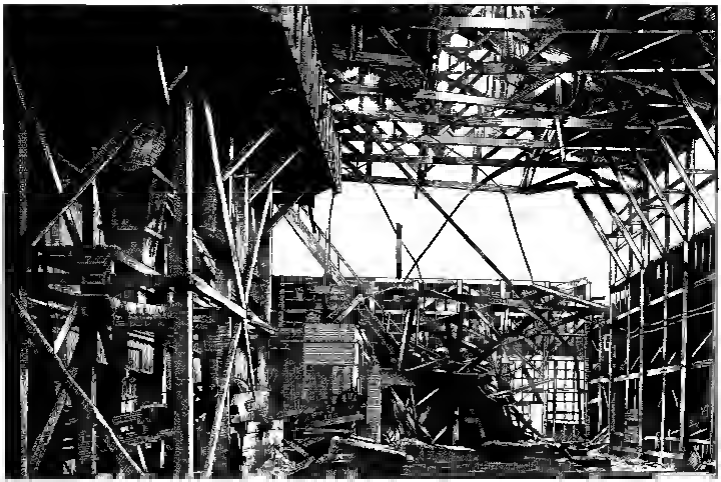

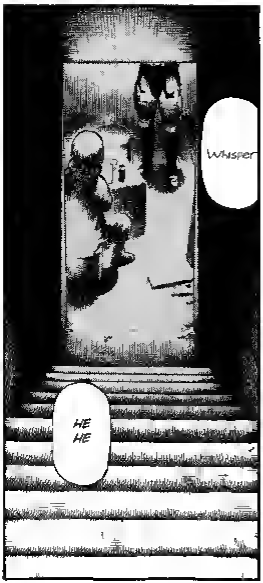
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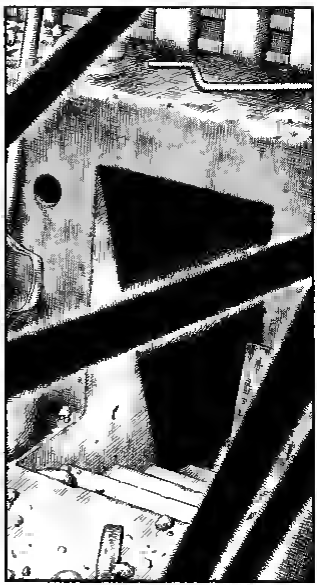

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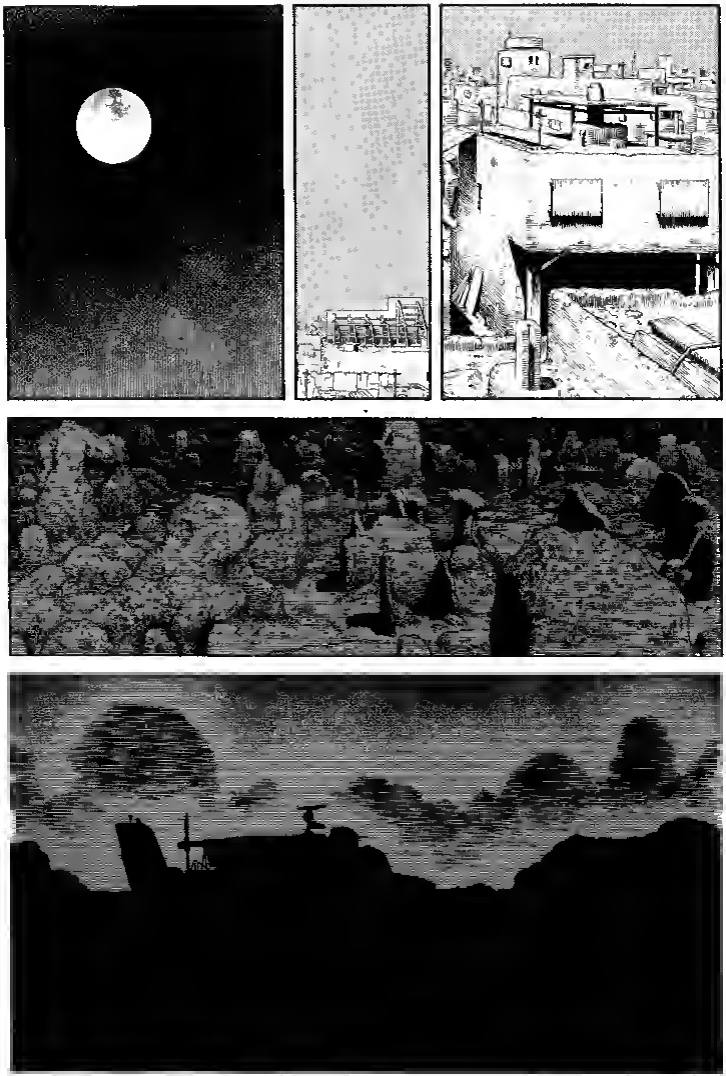

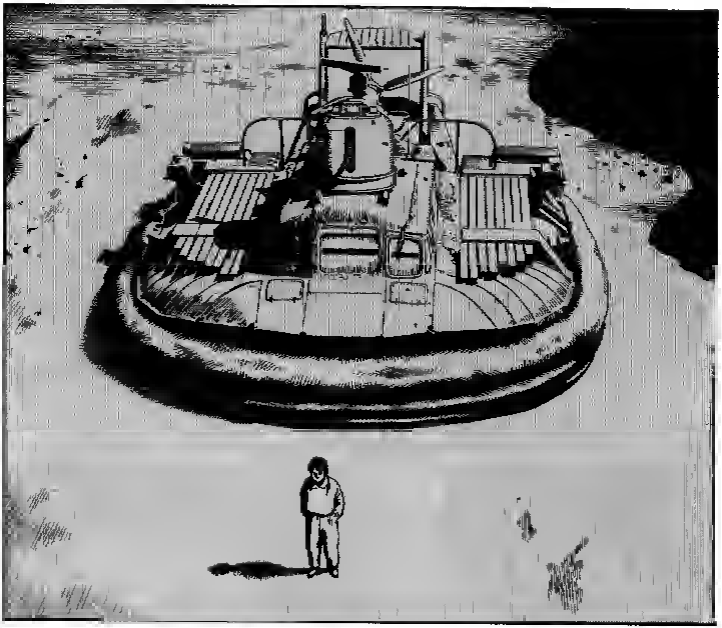

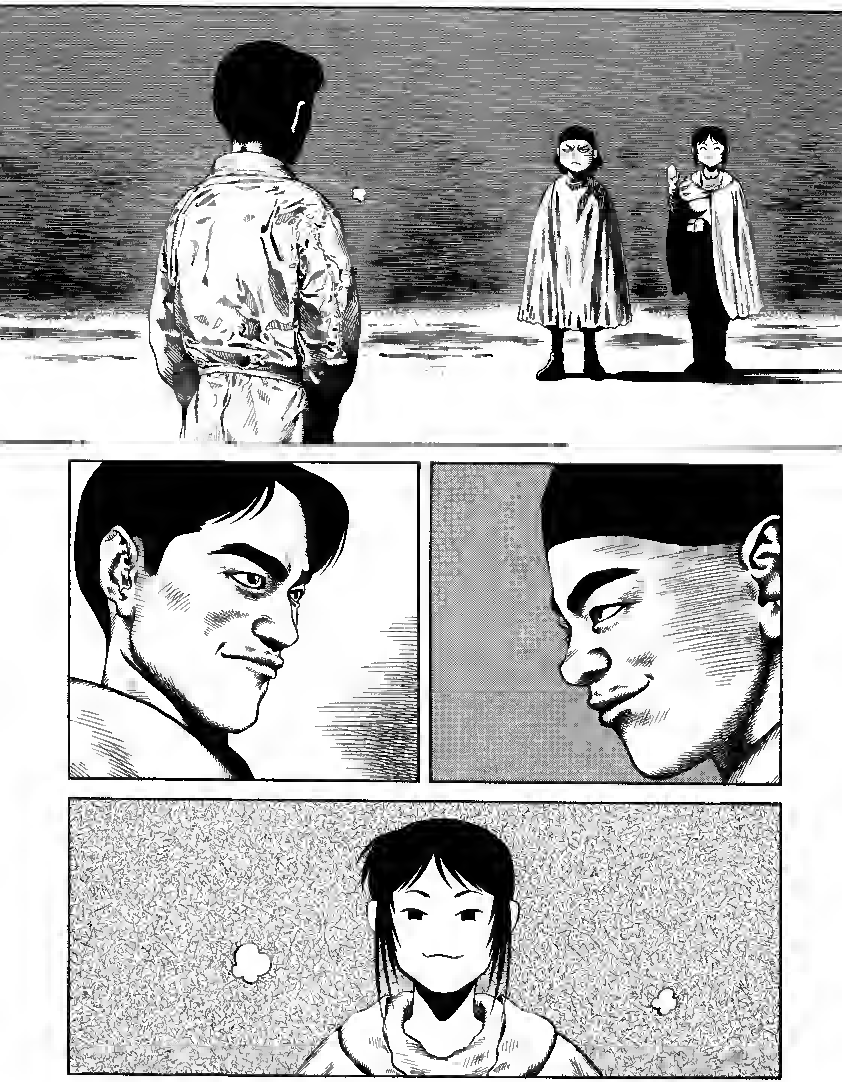

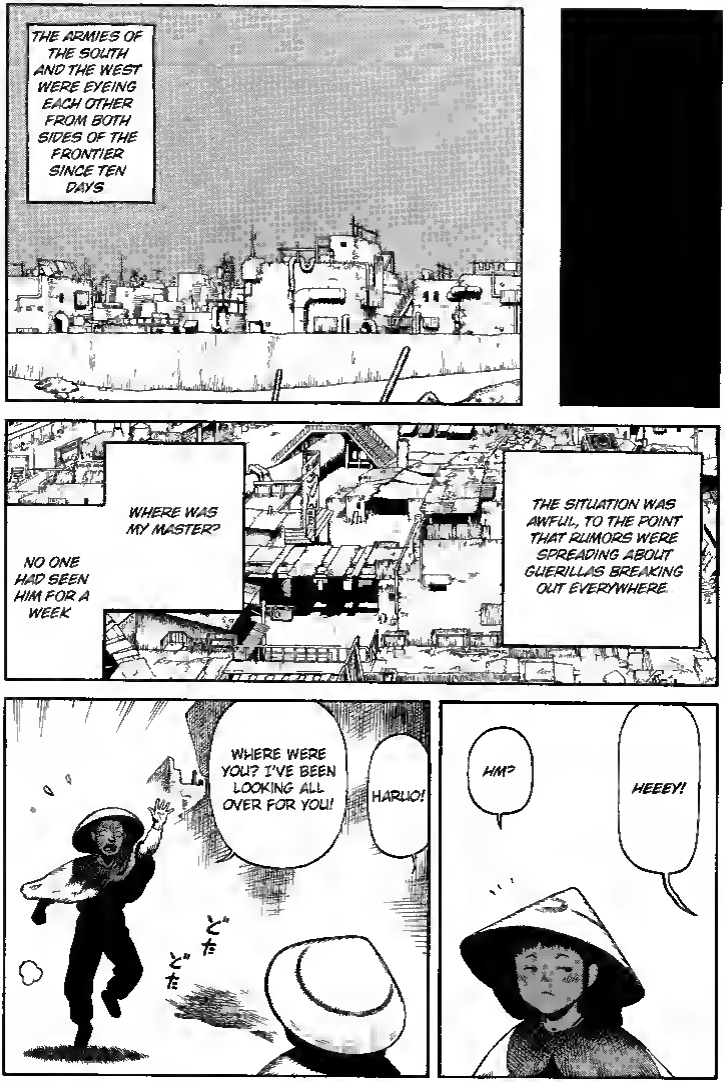
THE ARMIES OF THE SOUTH AND THE WEST WERE EYEING EACH OTHER FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE FRONTIER SINCE TEN DAYS
NO ONE HAD SEEN HIM FOR A WEEK
WHERE WAS MY MASTER?
THE SITUATION WAS AWFUL. TO THE POINT THAT RUMORS WERE SPREADING ABOUT GUERILLAS BREAKING OUT EVERYWHERE
WHERE WERE YOU? I'VE BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER FOR YOU!
HARUO!
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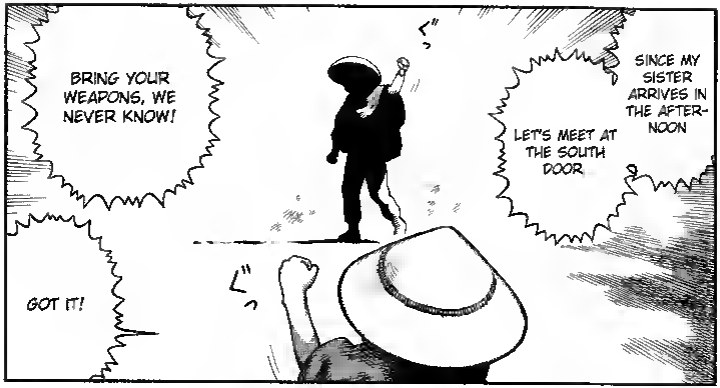
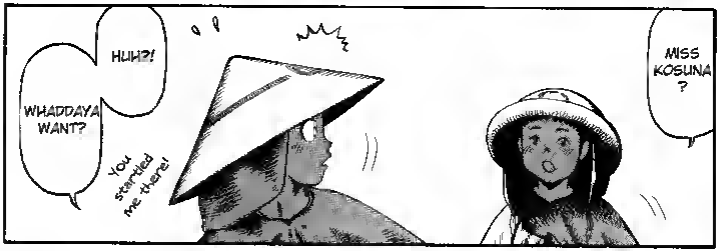
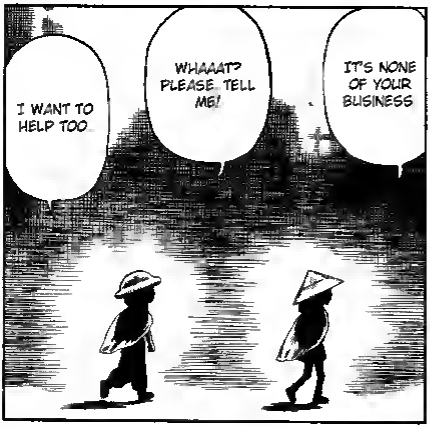
HM?
HEEEY!

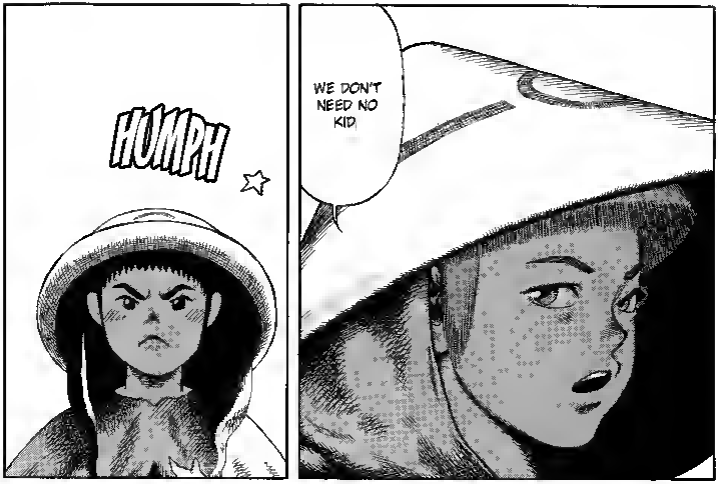
THEY SAY KAIZUKA HAS BEEN ACTING STRANGE
I-I-I... I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT
HUH?!
MY MASTER?
KANTA CALLED ME!
AH?!
HE ALSO SAID TO FETCH YOU
HE TOLD ME TO WARN MY SISTER AND TO GATHER EVERYONE TO MEET HIM
ALRIGHT, I'M ON MY WAY THEN
Ok,

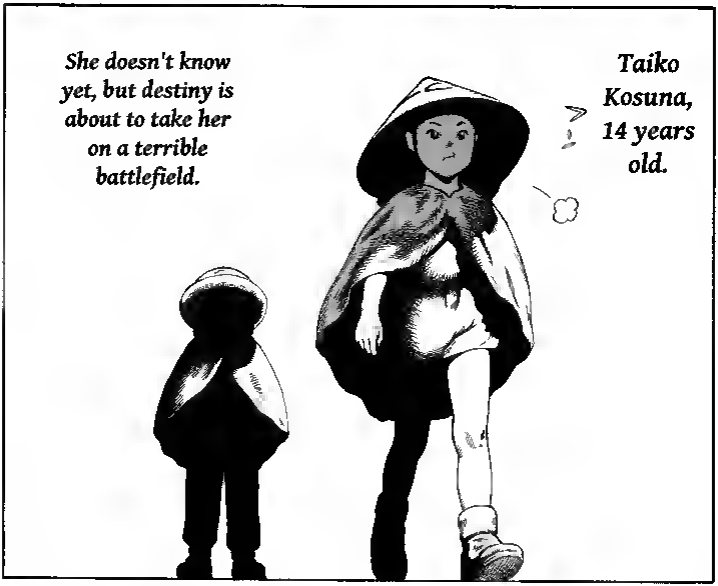

BRING YOUR WEAPONS, WE NEVER KNOW!
GOT IT!
LET'S MEET AT THE SOUTH DOOR
SINCE MY SISTER ARRIVES IN THE AFTER-NOON


HUH?!
WHADDAYA WANT?
You startled me there!
MISS KOSUNA ?


I WANT TO HELP TOO
WHAAAT? PLEASE TELL ME!
IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS

SOMETHING ODD, RIGHT?
HAS SOMETHING HAPPENED?


HUMPH
WE DON'T NEED NO KID


She doesn't know yet, but destiny is about to take her on a terrible battlefield.
Taiko Kosuna, 14 years old.

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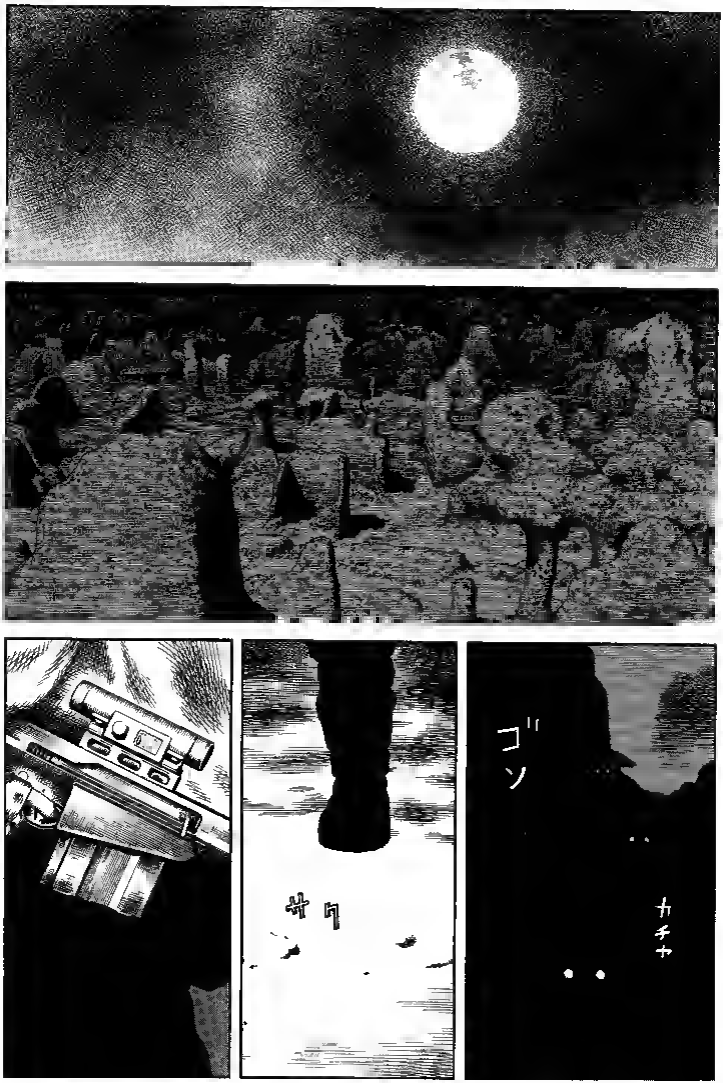
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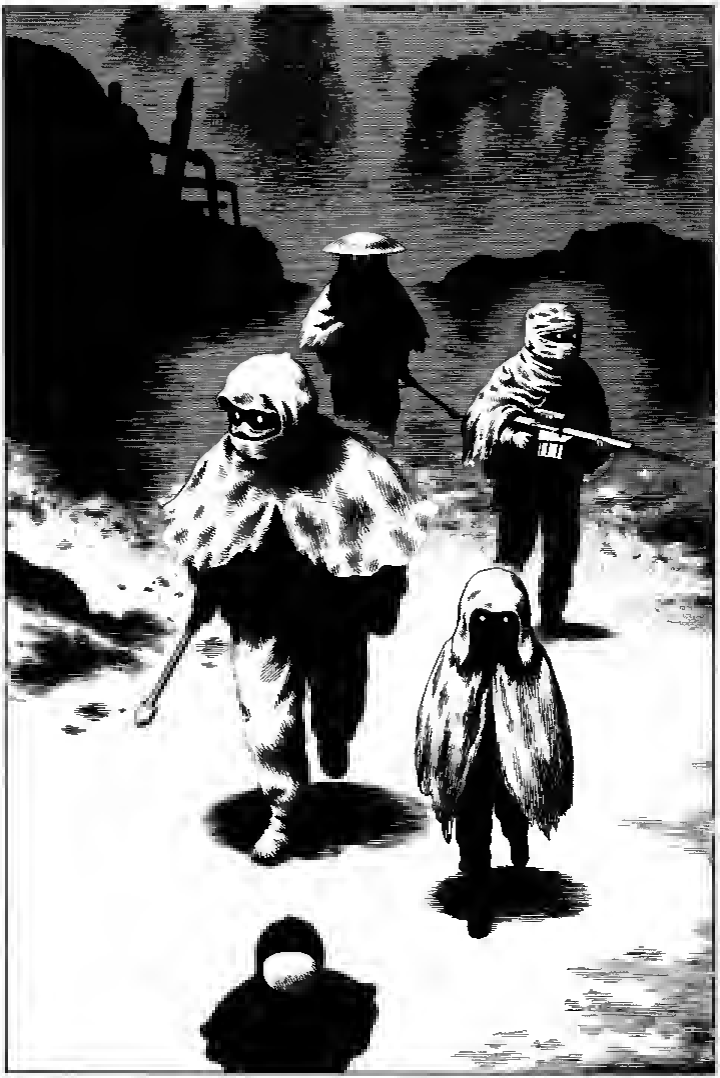

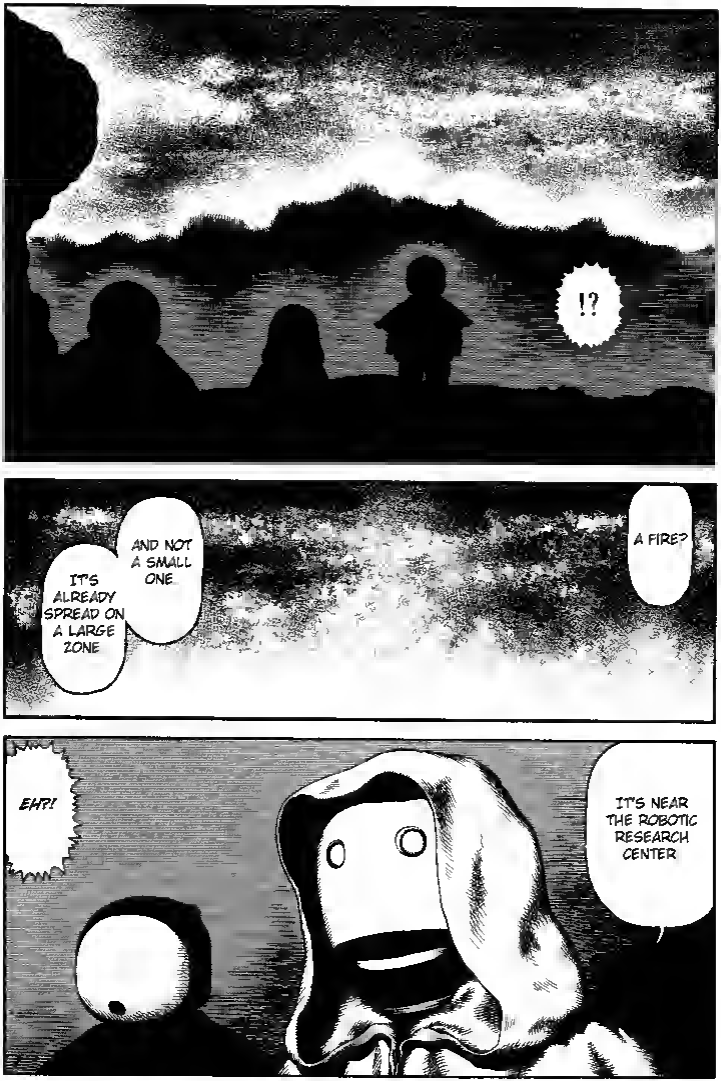
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A FIRE?
AND NOT A SMALL ONE
IT'S ALREADY SPREAD ON A LARGE ZONE
EH?!
IT'S NEAR THE ROBOTIC RESEARCH CENTER

HE SUMMONED ALL OF US BECAUSE HE FORESAW UNEXPECTED AND UNUSUAL EVENTS
I'M SURE MY MASTER KNOWS SOMETHING.
WE MUST REACH THE RENDEZVOUS POINT FAST!
WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED?!
SO MUCH FOR SECRECY.
H... HOLY FUCK! IT'S THE OLDMAN'S SECRET BASE!
YOU'RE RIGHT. WE'D BETTER HURRY
NOW'S NOT THE TIME FOR IDLE CHATTER.
SO IS THE ORGANISATION.
SO, IF HE'S IN TROUBLE
IS THEIR BIGGEST FINANCIAL SUPPORT.
ACCORDING TO THE ORGANISATION, THE PRESIDENT OF THE "GAME OF LIFE" SOCIETY

HE'S UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE BEST SOLDIERS
SINCE HE'S A KEY PARTNER
BUT WE DIDN'T GET AN ANSWER
WE TRIED TO CONTACT THIS GROUP AND THE RESEARCH CENTER
RIGHT AFTER THE CALL FROM SUNABOZU
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"He's one of a kind!"
THAT'S HIM ALRIGHT!
NONETHELESS, THAT SUNABOZU HAS A BLOODY GOOD INTUITION
THE SITUATION IS CRITICAL.
ごくっ…
I WANT TO KNOW MORE.
LET'S HURRY TO JOIN SUNABO-ZU.
RIGHT.

KOSUNA, IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO DO YOUR THING.
EH?
AH...
YES OK..
KEEP GOING.
WE'LL CATCH UP WITH YOU IN A FEW
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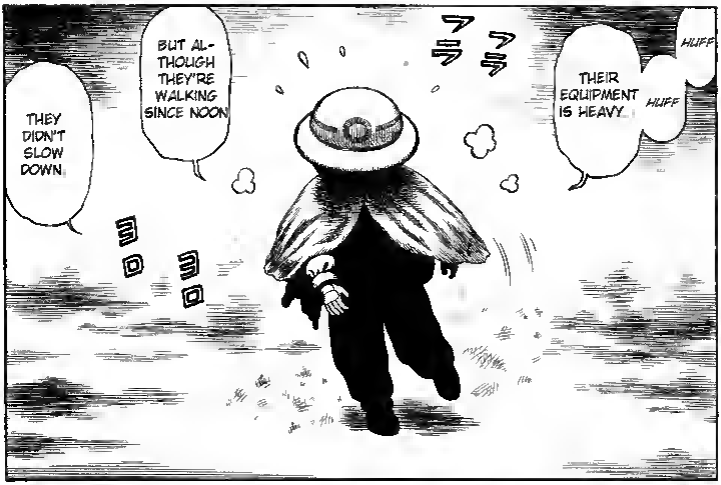
WELL I'LL BE... HE MANAGED TO FOLLOW US SO FAR...
THAT WHINER!
HA HA HA
TAIKO TORMENTS HIM SO MUCH! SHE DOESN'T TREAT HIM AS A HUMAN BEING.


THEY DIDN'T SLOW DOWN.
BUT ALTHOUGH THEY'RE WALKING SINCE NOON
THEIR EQUIPMENT IS HEAVY.
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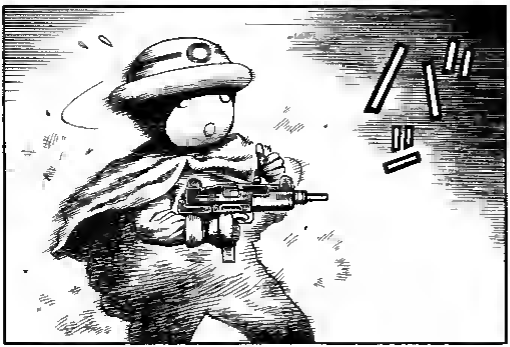
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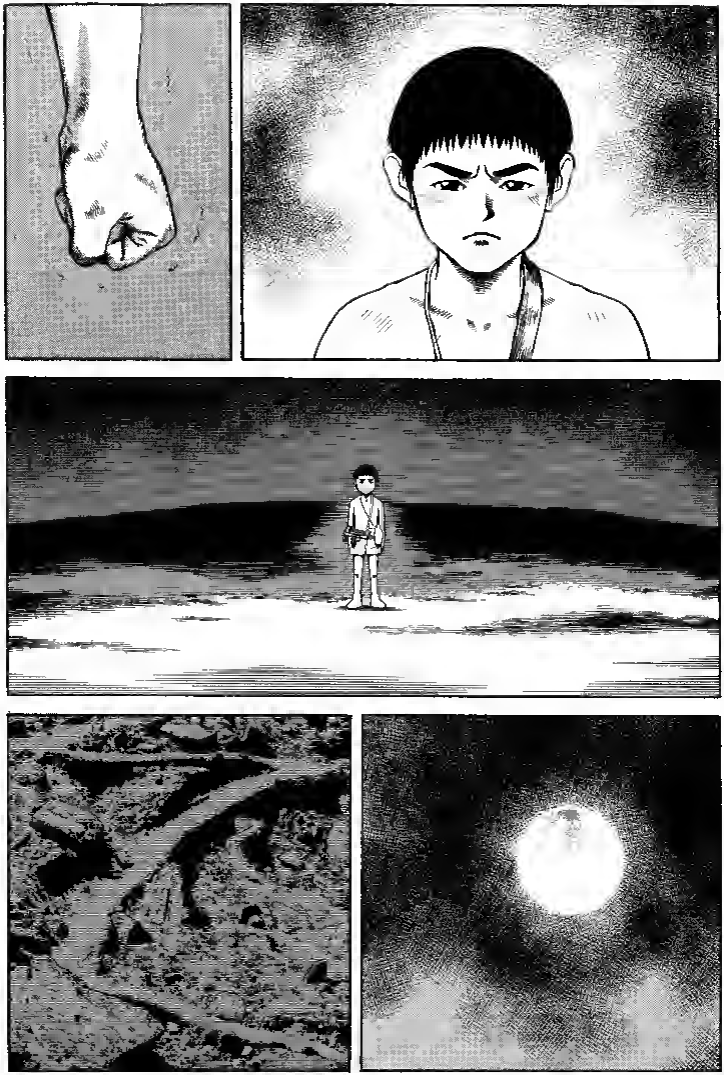
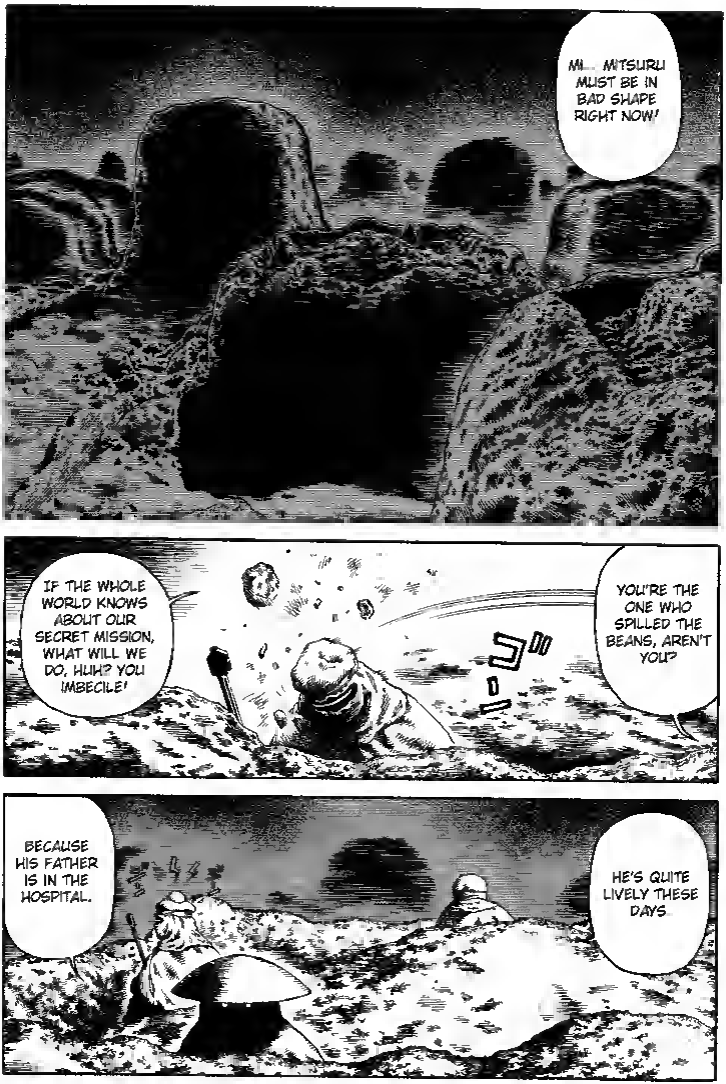
I NOTICED YOU FROM THE START!
YOU THOUGHT YOU COULD FOLLOW ME WITHOUT BEING SEEN?
WAH!
YOU'RE TOO SLOW!
WAH!
I THOUGHT I COULD HELP YOU
I'M SO SORRY.
UGHHH SORRY.
IF I WERE A BANDIT, YOU WOULD BE DEAD.
THAT LETS HIMSELF GET CAUGHT SO EASILY?
WHAT USE DO I HAVE OF AN IDIOTIC CHILD

YOU'VE GOT 25 BULLETS LEFT
AND A LITER OF WATER
TAKE YOUR CLOTHES OFF
WHAT ?
EVERYTHING BUT YOUR UNDERWEAR
NOW GO BACK IN TOWN
RUN. YOU STILL HAVE 6 HOURS BEFORE THE SUN RISES
IF YOU DAWDLE, YOU'LL DIE FROM SUN-BURNS
IF YOU WANT TO BE HELPFUL, JUST GO BACK AND TRY TO STAY ALIVE
IT TOOK ME 10 HOURS TO GET HERE
BUT




MI... MITSURU MUST BE IN BAD SHAPE RIGHT NOW!
IF THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS ABOUT OUR SECRET MISSION, WHAT WILL WE DO, HUH? YOU IMBECILE!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SPILLED THE BEANS, AREN'T YOU?
BECAUSE HIS FATHER IS IN THE HOSPITAL.
HE'S QUITE LIVELY THESE DAYS.

IT'S A BIT LATE FOR THAT.
PFF! SINCE HIS FATHER FELL ILL, HE'S FULL OF ENERGY..
ER... FOR A STOMACH ULCER, RIGHT?
IT'S NOT GOOD, APPARENTELY.
HEY, SHE CAME BACK!
IT'S CRAZY, WE CAN SEE THE FIRE EVEN FROM HERE.
HE MUST BE OVER THERE.
HE'S NOT HERE YET.
AND MY MASTER ?
I'M LATE
I'M SORRY.

.....
OF... OF COURSE
HE KNOWS WE'RE COMING, HE WON'T TAKE RISKS ON HIS OWN.
YES, BUT HE'LL FIND US, I'M SURE OF IT.
SO YOU'RE ALL HERE AT LAST?
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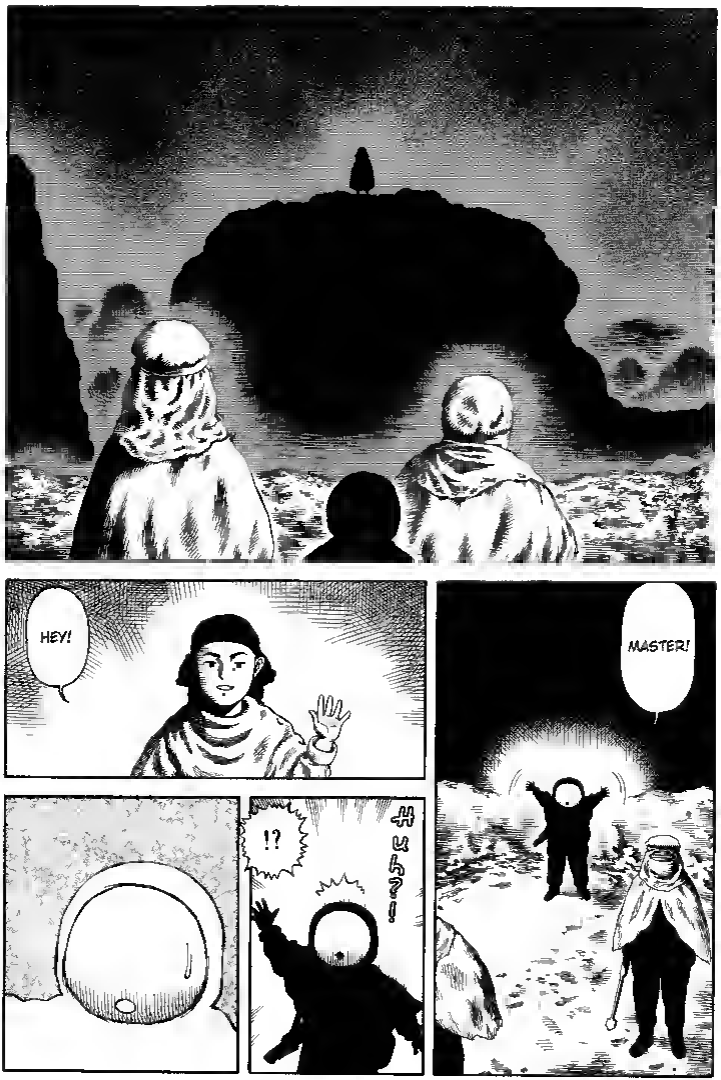
HEY!
MASTER!
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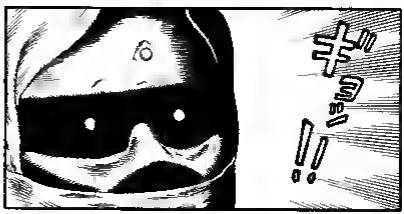
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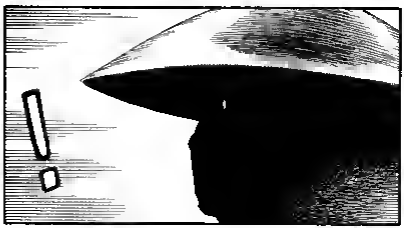
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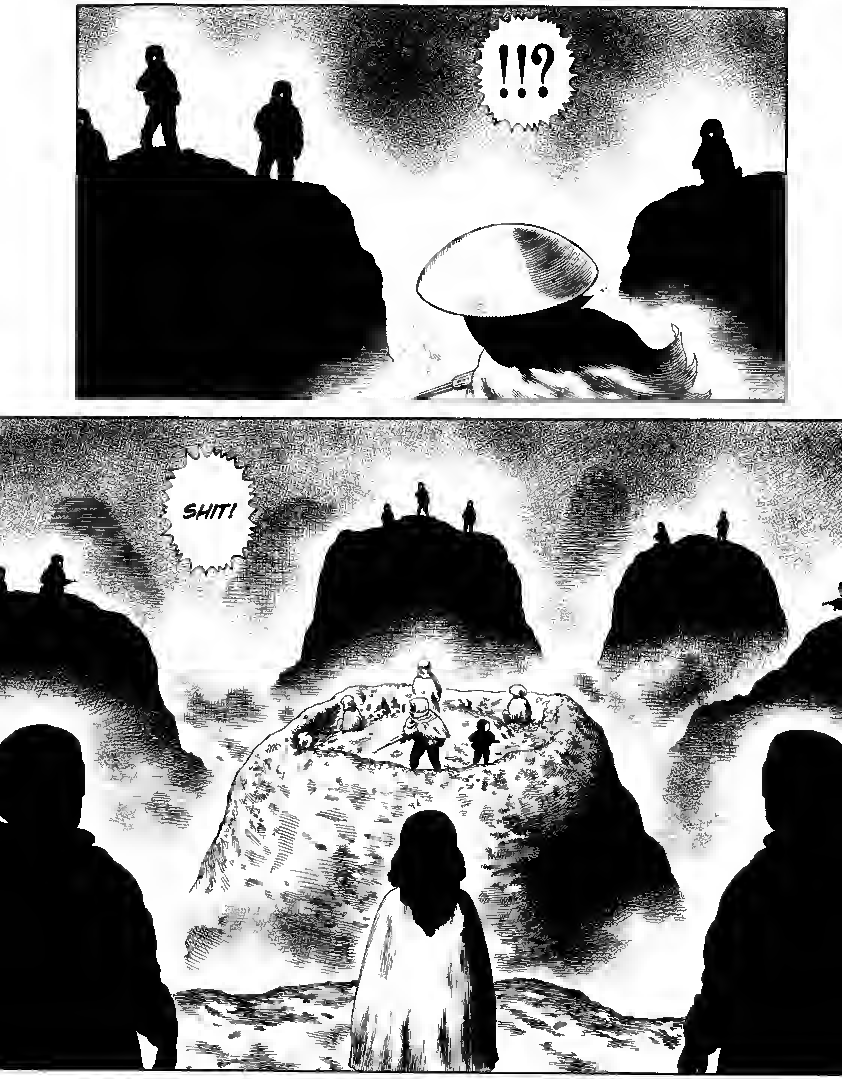
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SHIT!

THE GUYS FROM THE OTHER DAY...
IT'S THEM!
IT...
WAAAH!
WHAT?!
THE GHOSTS!
THEIRS IS MORE EFFICIENT THAN OURS.
WHO'S EQUIPPED WITH THE "SPECIAL"?
PSS
WE DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING!
WHERE WERE THEY HIDING?
FUCK!

DID THEY CATCH YOU?
MASTER
NOT EXACTLY
I'M WITH OOTAKI'S SUPPORTERS
I'VE DECIDED THAT FROM NOW ON.

WHAT?!
WHAT?!
HE SOLD KAIZUKA TO COAX THE ENEMY
TSS...
I UNDER-STAND.
HE'S GOT FAR BETTER
HE'S NOT INTERESTED IN THE OLD MAN'S ROBOTS

UP UNTIL NOW, THEY COULDN'T DO A THING BECAUSE HE BELONGED TO THE EAST OASIS.
OOTAKI'S CLAN WERE EAGER TO RECRUIT HIM.
THE OLD MAN'S ROBOTS WERE SOLD TO THE BIGGEST WEAPON SELLER IN KANTO.
WAR IS NIGH.
YES, BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE WE END UP LIKE THIS.
By telling Juko so, for instance.
YOU FIGURED IT OUT, DIDN'T YOU?

THE FACT IS THAT YOU HAVE A HIGH TRADE VALUE. THANKS TO THIS, THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE GOING WELL
I WAS ASKED TO SELL MY FRIENDS THAT HAD BEATEN THE ROBOTS.
HOW DOES IT CONCERN US?
SO WHAT?
YOUR LIFE WILL BE SPARED
PUT DOWN YOUR WEAPONS.
KANTA!
YOU FUCKING ...
K...

YOU... YOU FUCKING TRAITOR!
YOU THINK WE'RE GOING TO SURRENDER TO YOU?!
SONOFABITCH!
ARE YOU FUCKING WITH US?!
PFF!
GET OVER HERE SO WE CAN BEAT YOU UP!
Waah!
Waah!

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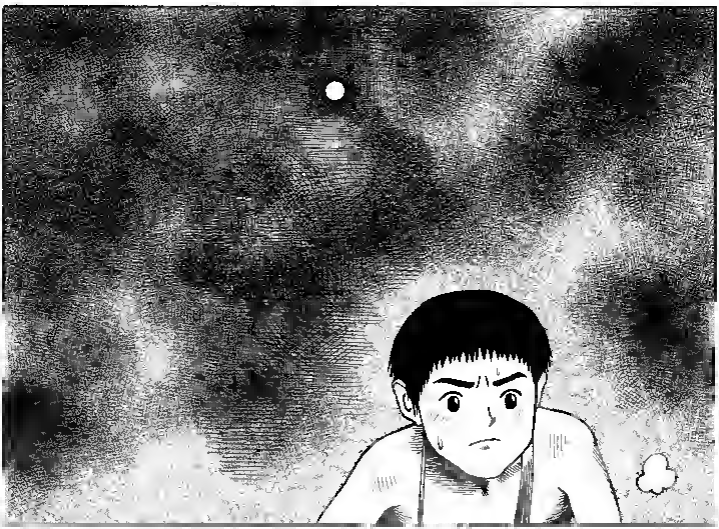
THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU'RE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE CRISIS TO GET A PROMOTION, AREN'T YOU?



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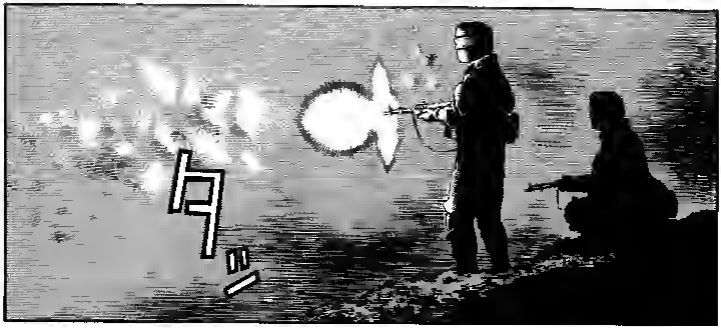
HE'S USING THE CRISIS TO GET PROMOTED?!
WHAT?!
YOU'RE KIDDING!
YOU SAID WE'D LIVE IF WE THROW OUR WEAPONS?
NO, NOT WITH SMALL FRY LIKE YOU
THROUGH US?
DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE THAT YOU'LL GET YOUR PROMOTION

YOU BASTARD!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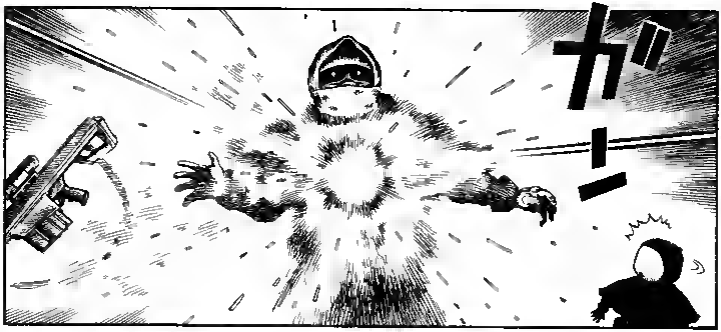
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BUT IF WE MUST SURRENDER, HE'LL GO DOWN WITH US.
KH... I LOST MY TEMPER... WITHOUT NOTICING.

GRR...
WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU? IF THEY FIRE A SALVO, WE'RE DONE FOR!
OUCH!

YOU CAN'T DO ANY-THING
WEAPONS OF THESE GUYS HERE
ARE FAR MORE EFFICIENT THAN THE FAMOUS WEAPONS OF MITOGAWA THAT ARE USED TO KILL VENOMOUS DESERT SNAKES

IT TOOK ONLY TEN MEN TO GET RID OF THEM IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE
EVEN IF IT WAS A SURPRISE ATTACK
AN ELITE TROOP OF 50 MEN EQUIPPED WITH THE "SPECIAL" WERE PROTECTING THE RESEARCH CENTER
IT'S BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T WELL PREPARED
IF YOU GOT OUT OF THE RUINS ALIVE
LAST TIME, YOU'VE MADE A BIG MISTAKE WHEN YOU TOOK THEM FOR FOOLS
I'M WITH THEM.
BUT NOW

FURYO, CALM DOWN.
B-BUT...
FUCK!
THAT SHUTS YOU UP, EH?
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WHAT?!
……
I IN-VOLVED YOU IN THIS.
I'M SORRY
FROM THE START, WE WERE DETER-MINED TO FOLLOW YOU EVEN IN HELL
WE'RE ALL VERY HAPPY TO FIGHT BY YOUR SIDE
LOOK...
NON-SENSE! YOU'RE WRONG!

I MUST GET OUT OF HERE ALIVE AT ALL COSTS
TO TELL ABOUT THE SITUATION TO MY SUPERIORS
HUH?
SO, YOU'RE READY TO FIGHT TO THE DEATH?
YOU WANT TO ESCAPE BUT HOW?!
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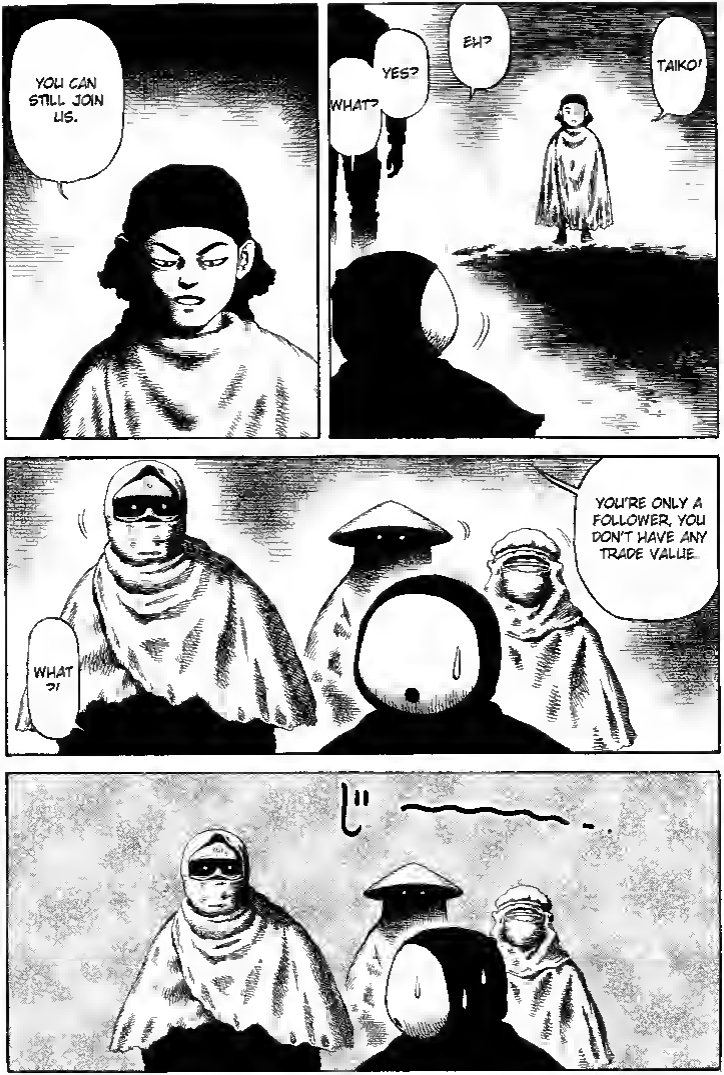
What? Eh?


YOU CAN STILL JOIN US.
WHAT?
YES?
EH?
TAIKO!
YOU'RE ONLY A FOLLOWER, YOU DON'T HAVE ANY TRADE VALUE.
WHAT ?!

THE LIKELIHOOD OF GETTING PROMOTED IS HIGH.
IT'S WAR.
IN ANY ORGANIZATION
BUT AT THE TIME, I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO ANSWER HIM.
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IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT IT WAS BETTER FOR ME TO JOIN WITH MY MASTER...

HIM BETRAYING US DIDN'T SUPRISE ME.
I WAS ACCEPTING THE SITUATION CALMLY.
IT WASN'T THAT I HATED HIM NOW.
HOW-EVER...
OH?!
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WHAT'S SHE DOING?
THE WOMAN!
WE KNOW WHAT'S UNDER YOUR CLOTHES..
STOP FOOLING AROUND
PFF
TELL HER TO SHOW WHAT SHE'S HIDING!
YOU WANT ME TO SHOOT?
Natsuko

HYIII...
!?
WAH!
WHAT IS IT?!
I'VE SENT MIZUTOME TO CHECK IT OUT
He's still aiming at Natsuko
AN UNEXPECTED VISIT!
UNEXPECTED?!
THIS CAN'T BE...
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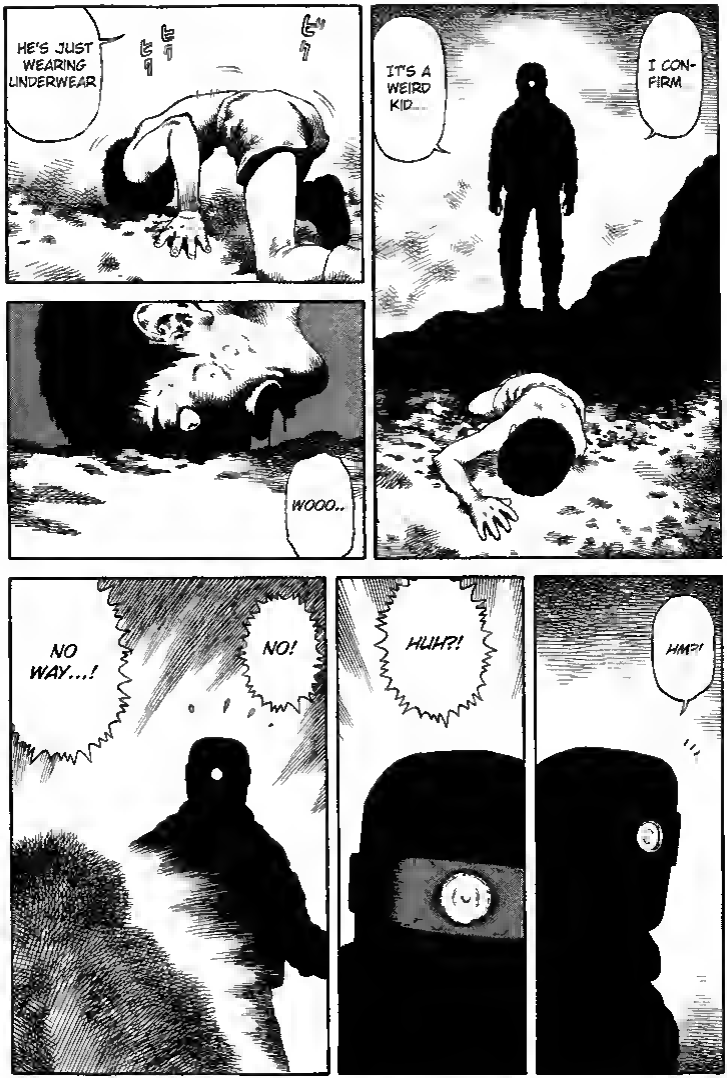
HE'S JUST WEARING UNDERWEAR
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I CONFIRM...
IT'S A WEIRD KID...
WOOO..
NO WAY...!
NO!
HUH?!
HM?!

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MIZU-TOME?
WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING?
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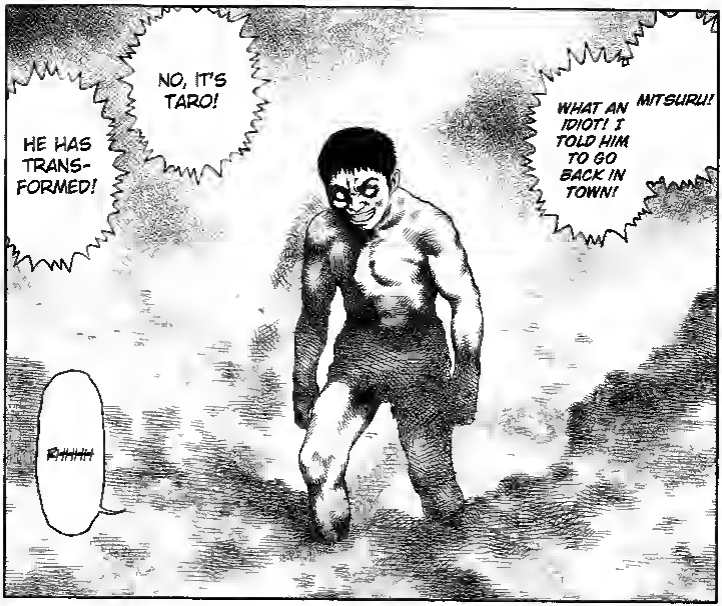
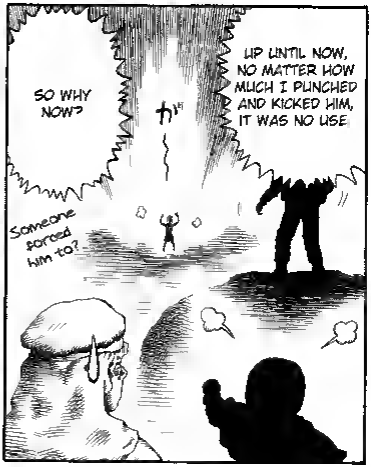
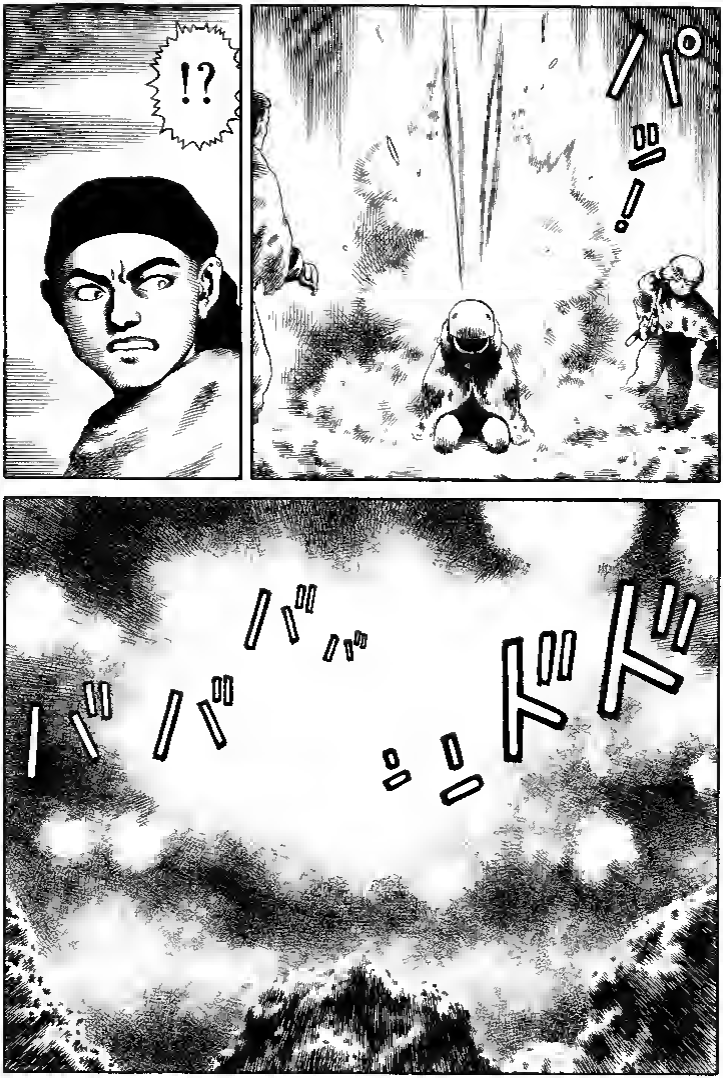
DAMN!


HE HAS TRANS-FORMED!
NO, IT'S TARO!
MITSURU!
WHAT AN IDIOT! I TOLD HIM TO GO BACK IN TOWN!
RHHH

HUH?


UP UNTIL NOW, NO MATTER HOW MUCH I PUNCHED AND KICKED HIM, IT WAS NO USE.
SO WHY NOW?
Someone forced him to?

A HU...
OOOH,
UH!
A HU-WHAT?
EH?
A HURON!
YES, YES
LET'S MAKE THE MOST OF THIS DISTRACTION
ALL OF YOU, REMOVE YOUR HELMETS
WHAT?!
THE APPEARANCE OF TARO UNSETTLES THEM
WELL, I'LL BE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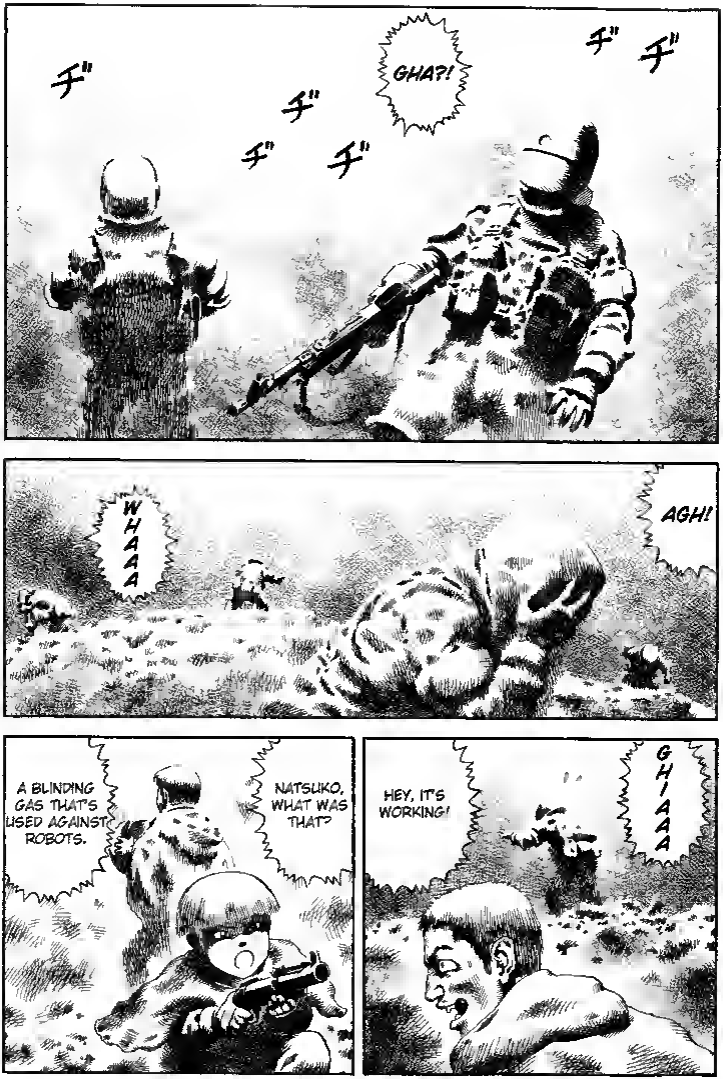
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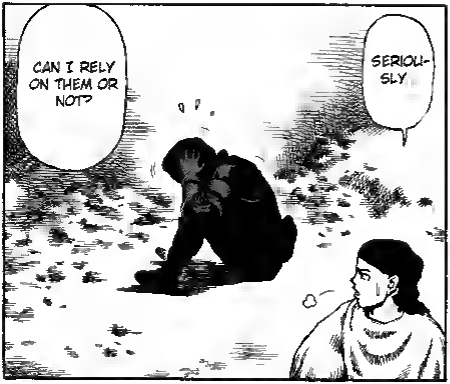
GHA?!
WHAAA
AGH!
A BLINDING GAS THAT'S USED AGAINST ROBOTS.
NATSUKO, WHAT WAS THAT?
HEY, IT'S WORKING!
GHIAAA

ALRIGHT! LET'S TAKE THEM DOWN!
HYAA...
ピタ
WHAT?!
SINCE IT'S STILL TESTED, I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG THE EFFECT WILL LAST.
NOW'S THE TIME TO GET OUT OF HERE!


CAN I RELY ON THEM OR NOT?
SERIOUSLY

GOD-DAMIT, SHE PLANNED ALL THIS?
HURRY, RUN FOR IT!
TINK.

HUH?
MASTER...

I CHOSE
TO STAY WITH THEM
WELL, IT MEANS WE'RE ENEMIES

SHE TAMED HIM WELL.
WOH ?!
MITSURU! GET OUT OF HERE!
BUT WERE I TO JOIN MY MASTER...
AND HERE I AM, ALONE ONE COULD CALL ME AN IDIOT...
AS A RESULT, EVEN WITH TIME...
NEVER MAKING ANY PRO-GRESS
I'D STAY A LITTLE SHIT, CLINGING ON MY MASTER'S ASS.

I WOULD NEVER BE AN AWE-SOME CHICK!
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The path she's taken will become a slope, more and more slippery as time goes by...
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Kosuna Taiko, 14 years old. She'll regret her current decision from the bottom of her heart.

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